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L2 ANSWER 1 OF 4 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2003:532691 HCAPLUS  
TITLE: Modified receptors on cell membranes for the discovery  
of therapeutic ligands  
INVENTOR(S): Schwartz, Thue W.; Martini, Lene; Heydorn, Arne;  
Jorgensen, Rasmus  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): 7TM Pharma A/S, Den.  
SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 122 pp.  
CODEN: PIXXD2  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent

LANGUAGE: English  
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PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.:  
 DK 2001-1944 A 20011221  
 DK 2002-113 A 20020122  
 DK 2002-1043 A 20020703  
 US 2002-394122P P 20020703

AB A drug discovery method is provided for selecting a compd. selected from the group consisting of a small org. substance, a biopharmaceutical, or an antibody or part thereof. The method comprises the steps of (i) expressing one or more receptors on a cell membrane, such as, e.g., an exterior cell surface of a cell, (ii) contacting one or more expressed receptors with a test compd. or a selection of test compds. (libraries), and (iii) selecting one or more compds. based on its ability to bind one or more receptors. The step of expressing the one or more receptors comprises capturing one or more receptors on the exterior cell surface in a conformation that predominantly enables binding or interaction with a ligand, and the conformation that predominantly enables binding or interaction with a ligand is provided by modification of one or more receptors by a method comprising at least one of the following: (a) fusion with any protein which keeps the receptor in the desired conformation such as, e.g. an arrestin, a modified arrestin, a G-protein or a modified G-protein, (b) site-directed mutagenesis, and (c) deletion. The receptors may be captured on the exterior cell surface by at least one of the following: (d) interaction of the receptor with a scaffolding protein, optionally, with a scaffolding protein network and (e) means for blocking receptor internalization, e.g. by co-expression of a mutated dynamin or a modified arrestin or by use of chems. such as, e.g., sucrose and/or Tris. Thus, by coexpressing of either the wild-type receptor or by modifying the receptor by engineering for example a recognition motif for a strong binder into its structure (for example, a PDZ recognition motif at its C-terminal end), and coexpression of this with a scaffolding protein such as PSD-95 or a modified scaffolding protein which interacts with the cytoskeleton at the cell surface or is made to be closely assocd. with the membrane through a lipid anchor, a high level of surface expression can be ensured, which will benefit its use in the drug discovery process. As a result of the strong tendency of the scaffolding proteins to interact with each other, just the cotransfection with one or more appropriate scaffolding proteins or modified scaffolding protein may also lead to the formation of patches with high local concns of the receptor or modified receptor, which will be highly beneficial in the drug discovery process where they are used initially to select binding mols. The method is exemplified by expression of the NK1 receptor in an agonist high-affinity binding form at the surface of transfected cells through fusion with arrestin or the N-terminal fragment of arrestin.

DUPLICATE 1

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2003:257416 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200300257416  
TITLE: Mutational analysis of the tyrosine kinome in colorectal cancers.  
AUTHOR(S): Bardelli, Alberto; Parsons, D. Williams; Silliman, Natalie; Ptak, Janine; Szabo, Steve; Saha, Saurabh; Markowitz, Sanford; Willson, James K. V.; Parmigiani, Giovanni; Kinzler, Kenneth W.; Vogelstein, Bert; Velculescu, Victor E. (1)  
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Howard Hughes Medical Institute and Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center at Johns Hopkins, Baltimore, MD, 21231, USA: velculescu@jhmi.edu USA  
SOURCE: Science (Washington D C), (9 May 2003) Vol. 300, No. 5621, pp. 949. print.  
ISSN: 0036-8075.  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Article  
LANGUAGE: English

L2 ANSWER 3 OF 4 BIOTECHDS COPYRIGHT 2003 THOMSON DERWENT/ISI on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001-08201 BIOTECHDS  
TITLE: New polynucleotides encoding a c-Jun N-terminal kinase kinase kinases i.e. **MLK4**, PAK4, associated with skin damage for use in drug screening and development; vector-mediated gene transfer, expression in host cell, antisense oligonucleotide and ribozyme for recombinant protein production and disease gene therapy  
AUTHOR: Blumenberg M; Gazel A M  
PATENT ASSIGNEE: Univ.New-York  
LOCATION: New York, NY, USA.  
PATENT INFO: EP 1085093 21 Mar 2001  
APPLICATION INFO: EP 2000-307866 12 Sep 2000  
PRIORITY INFO: US 1999-155029 20 Sep 1999  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent  
LANGUAGE: English  
OTHER SOURCE: WPI: 2001-236883 [25]

AB The human DNA sequences as defined by protein sequences of the: **MLK4** gene containing 54 amino acids (I); PAK4 gene containing 48 amino acids (II); PAK5 gene containing 48 amino acids (III), 311 amino acids (IV) or 681 amino acids (V); and the YSK gene containing 48 amino acids (VI) (all specified), are claimed. Also claimed are: a recombinant vector containing (I-VI) or derivatives of (I-VI); a host cell containing the vector; a substantially purified or isolated protein (VII) containing a protein sequence selected from (I-VI); preparation of (VII) by culturing the host cell under conditions that allow expression of the protein and recovering the protein; an antibody specific to a protein containing (I-VI); screening compounds (e.g. antisense oligonucleotides or ribozymes) that affect the cellular levels of c-Jun N-terminal kinase kinase kinase (JNKKK) gene product; screening compounds that affect the activity of a JNKKK; identifying a binding partner of YSK2; and detection of an **MLK4**-, PAK4-, PAK5- or YSK2-related DNA in a sample. The new DNA sequences encoding a JNKKK protein, which is associated with skin damage is useful in drug screening. (51pp)

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DUPLICATE 3

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:504233 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200100504233  
TITLE: Isolation, expression analysis and chromosomal mapping of a novel human kinase gene **MLK4**.  
AUTHOR(S): Kvasha, S. M.; Protopopov, A. I.; Zabarovsky, E. R.; Rynditch, A. V.; Kashuba, V. I.

SOURCE: Biopolimery i Kletka, (July August, 2001) Vol. 17, No. 4,  
pp. 302-307. print.  
ISSN: 0233-7657.  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Article  
LANGUAGE: Ukrainian  
SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English; Ukrainian; Russian

AB We have identified a novel human gene **MLK4**. Two alternatively spliced forms of **MLK4**, named MLK4alpha and MLK4beta, have been isolated. The expression of **MLK4** has been detected in pancreas, kidney, liver, lung, brain, placenta and heart. The gene has been mapped to chromosomal band 1q42. The predicted amino acid sequence of **MLK4** is highly related to the amino acid sequence of the members of MLK family, which play an important role in the signal transduction pathways.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2003:347018 BIOSIS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200300347018

TITLE: Disruption of the actin cytoskeleton results in nuclear factor-kappa B activation and inflammatory mediator production in human intestinal epithelial cells.

AUTHOR(S): Hasko, Gyorgy (1); Nemeth, Zoltan H.; Deitch, Edwin A.; Davidson, Marson T.; Szabo, Csaba

CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Department of Surgery, University of Medicine and Dentistry New Jersey, 185 South Orange Avenue, Newark, NJ, 07103-2714, USA: haskoge@umdnj.edu, nemethzo@umdnj.edu, edeitch@umdnj.edu, mdavidson@umdnj.edu, szabocsaba@aol.com USA

SOURCE: FASEB Journal, (March 2003, 2003) Vol. 17, No. 4-5, pp. Abstract No. 866.33. <http://www.fasebj.org/>. e-file. Meeting Info.: FASEB Meeting on Experimental Biology: Translating the Genome San Diego, CA, USA April 11-15, 2003 FASEB . ISSN: 0892-6638.

DOCUMENT TYPE: Conference

LANGUAGE: English

AB The cytoskeleton in eukaryotic cells is composed of microtubules and the actin cytoskeleton. The microtubule system has recently emerged as an important regulator of NF-kB function. However, the role that the actin microfilament system plays in controlling NF-kB activation is incompletely understood. In this study, we examined the effect of actin cytoskeleton disruption on NF-kB activation in human intestinal epithelial cells. Treatment of HT-29 or Caco-2 cells with the prototypic actin disrupting agent cytochalasin D resulted in increased NF-kB DNA binding and NF-kB-dependent transcriptional activity. This NF-kB activation by cytochalasin D was secondary to an effect on Ikb. That is because cytochalasin D induced Ikb degradation and the cytochalasin D-induced increase in NF-kB dependent transcriptional activity was prevented by a dominant negative Ikb mutant. Exposure of the cells to the cytochalasins D or B, as well as another actin disrupting agent, latrunculin B, increased gene **expression** and release of the NF-kB-dependent chemokines IL-8 and GRO-a.. Cytochalasin D also activated p38 mitogen activated protein kinase and **c-jun terminal kinase**, which pathways contributed to the cytochalasin D-induced increase in IL-8 production. These results demonstrate that the actin cytoskeleton plays an important role regulating NF-kB activation and inflammatory events in intestinal epithelial cells.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:292166 BIOSIS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200200292166

TITLE: Pathways of induction of peroxiredoxin I **expression** in osteoblasts. Roles of p38 mitogen-activated protein kinase and protein kinase C.

AUTHOR(S): Li, Baojie; Ishii, Tetsuro; Tan, Choon Ping; Soh, Jae-Won; Goff, Stephen P. (1)

CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Dept. of Biochemistry and Molecular Biophysics, College

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SOURCE: Journal of Biological Chemistry, (April 5, 2002) Vol. 277,  
No. 14, pp. 12418-12422. <http://www.jbc.org/>. print.  
ISSN: 0021-9258.

DOCUMENT TYPE: Article

LANGUAGE: English

AB Peroxiredoxin I (Prx I) is an oxidative stress-inducible antioxidant protein with thioredoxin peroxidase activity. Here we report that the levels of Prx I mRNA and protein are dramatically increased in a murine osteoblast cell line, MC3T3-E1, by treatment with sodium arsenate. We further studied the signaling pathways that control the induction of Prx I **expression**. The treatment of osteoblasts with arsenate activated ERK1/2, JNK, and p38 MAPK. Pre-treating cells with inhibitors of p38 MAPK abolished the induction of Prx I protein but had minimal effect on the induction of Prx I mRNA, suggesting that p38 MAPK activity was required for post-transcriptional regulation. The inhibition of ERK1 and ERK2 had no effect on the induction of Prx I **expression**. Furthermore, rottlerin, an inhibitor of protein kinase Cdelta (PKCdelta) and calmodulin kinase III, abrogated the up-regulation at both protein and mRNA levels. Staurosporine and Go6983, inhibitors for PKC, also inhibited the induction of Prx I, suggesting that protein kinase Cdelta is required for the induction by arsenate. PKCdelta was activated by arsenate treatment by in vitro kinase assays. The inhibition of PKCdelta by rottlerin did not affect the activation of p38 MAPK by arsenate. These results suggest that there are two separate signaling pathways involved in the up-regulation of Prx I protein in response to arsenate, PKCdelta required for transcriptional activation and p38 MAPK required for post-transcriptional regulation.

L8 ANSWER 3 OF 28 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 1

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002437966 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 22174877 PubMed ID: 12187281

TITLE: Activation of mitogen activated protein kinases and apoptosis of germ cells after vasectomy in the rat.

AUTHOR: Shiraishi Koji; Yoshida Ken-Ichi; Fujimiya Tatsuya; Naito Katsusuke

CORPORATE SOURCE: Departments of Urology and Legal Medicine, Yamaguchi University School of Medicine, Yamaguchi, Japan.

SOURCE: JOURNAL OF UROLOGY, (2002 Sep) 168 (3) 1273-8.  
Journal code: 0376374. ISSN: 0022-5347.

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DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)

LANGUAGE: English

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AB PURPOSE: Vasectomy induces a large amount of germ cell apoptosis. We examined the activation of mitogen activated protein kinases (MAPKs) in association with the apoptosis and proliferation of germ cells after vasectomy in the rat. MATERIALS AND METHODS: Eight-week-old Wistar rats underwent bilateral vasectomy and the testes were harvested 1 to 9 days after vasectomy. Germ cell apoptosis was evaluated by terminal deoxynucleotidyl transferase mediated deoxyuridine triphosphate nick end labeling and electrophoretic assay of DNA fragmentation. Western blotting and immunohistochemistry were used to examine the temporal and spatial activation of signal regulated kinases 1/2, **c-Jun-terminal kinases** 1/2 and p38. Phospho-specific MAPK antibodies were used to examine their activations. Proliferation of germ



cells was evaluated by proliferative nuclear cell antigen **expression**. RESULTS: Germ cell apoptosis was detected predominantly in primary spermatocytes with a peak 7 days after vasectomy. Signal regulated kinases 1/2, **c-Jun-terminal kinases** 1/2 and p38 were constitutively **expressed** in the control testis. Western blotting and immunohistochemistry showed rapid activation of signal regulated kinases 1/2, followed by activation of **c-Jun-terminal kinases** 1/2 and p38. Immunohistochemical study demonstrated the temporal and spatial relationships of apoptosis and MAPK activation in primary spermatocytes. On the other hand, proliferating cell nuclear antigen **expression** was enhanced in tetraploid spermatocyte and spermatogonia maximally 5 days after vasectomy. CONCLUSIONS: MAPKs were rapidly activated after vasectomy and germ cell apoptosis was observed after vasectomy. In contrast to the delayed phase up to 24 weeks after vasectomy, we observed hyperdynamic cellular turnover, spermatocyte loss through apoptosis and enhanced germ cell proliferation transiently at the early phase after vasectomy.

L8 ANSWER 4 OF 28 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 2  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002661945 MEDLINE  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 22309224 PubMed ID: 12421372  
 TITLE: Identification of JNK-dependent and -independent components of cerebellar granule neuron apoptosis.  
 AUTHOR: Harris Charles; Maroney Anna C; Johnson Eugene M Jr  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Molecular Biology, Washington University School of Medicine, St Louis, Missouri 63110, USA.  
 CONTRACT NUMBER: R01NS38651 (NINDS)  
 R37AG-12947 (NIA)  
 SOURCE: JOURNAL OF NEUROCHEMISTRY, (2002 Nov) 83 (4) 992-1001.  
 Journal code: 2985190R. ISSN: 0022-3042.  
 PUB. COUNTRY: England: United Kingdom  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)  
 LANGUAGE: English  
 FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals  
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AB Cerebellar granule neurons grown in high potassium undergo rapid apoptosis when switched to medium containing 5 mM potassium, a stimulus mimicking deafferentation. This cell death can be blocked by genetic deletion of Bax, a member of the pro-apoptotic Bcl-2 family, cycloheximide an inhibitor of macromolecular synthesis or **expression** of dominant-negative c-jun. These observations suggest that Bax activation is the result of c-jun target gene(s) up-regulation following trophic withdrawal. Candidate genes include the BH3-only Bcl-2 family members Dp5 and Bim. The molecular mechanisms underlying granule cell neuronal apoptosis in response to low potassium were investigated using CEP-1347 (KT7515), an inhibitor of the MLK family of **JNKKK**. CEP-1347 provided protection of potassium-serum-deprived granule cells, but such neuroprotection was not long term. The incomplete protection was not due to incomplete blockade of the JNK signaling pathway because c-jun phosphorylation as well as induction of c-jun RNA and protein were completely blocked by CEP-1347. Following potassium-serum deprivation the JNKK MKK4 becomes phosphorylated, an event blocked by CEP-1347. Cells that die in the presence of CEP-1347 activate caspases; and dual inhibition of caspases and MLKs has additive, not synergistic, effects on survival. A lack of synergism was also seen with the p38 inhibitor SB203580, indicating that the neuroprotective effect of the JNK pathway inhibitor cannot be explained by p38 activation. Activation of the JNK signaling pathway seems to be a key event in granule cell apoptosis, but

these neurons cannot survive long term in the absence of sustained PI3 kinase signaling.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:257567 HCAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 137:184256

TITLE: Joint damage and inflammation in c-Jun N-terminal kinase 2 knockout mice with passive murine collagen-induced arthritis

AUTHOR(S): Han, Zuoning; Chang, Lufen; Yamanishi, Yuji; Karin, Michael; Firestein, Gary S.

CORPORATE SOURCE: University of California San Diego School of Medicine, La Jolla, CA, 92093, USA

SOURCE: Arthritis & Rheumatism (2002), 46(3), 818-823  
CODEN: ARHEAW; ISSN: 0004-3591

PUBLISHER: Wiley-Liss, Inc.

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal

LANGUAGE: English

AB Previous studies have demonstrated that inhibition of c-Jun N-terminal kinase (JNK) decreases joint destruction in the rat adjuvant arthritis model. The present study was undertaken to investigate whether selective loss of JNK-2 function decreases joint destruction in JNK-2 knockout mice, in order to det. the role of this isoform in inflammatory arthritis. Passive collagen-induced arthritis (CIA) was induced in Jnk2-/- and wild-type mice by administering anti-type II collagen antibodies. Arthritis was assessed daily using a semiquant. clin. scoring system. Fibroblast-like synoviocytes (FLS) were prep'd. from Jnk2-/- and wild-type mice, and JNK protein **expression** was det'd. by Western blot anal. Matrix metalloproteinase 13 (MMP-13) **expression** was det'd. by Northern blot anal., and activator protein 1 (AP-1) binding activity by electromobility shift assay (EMSA). The JNK protein level in Jnk2-/- mice with CIA was 22% of that in wild-type mice with CIA ( $P < 0.001$ ), and mainly the 46-kd isoform was **expressed** in the former group. Surprisingly, clin. arthritis was slightly more severe in the Jnk2-/- mice. Histol. scores for synovial inflammation were not significantly different. However, Safranin O-stained sections from the Jnk2-/- mice exhibited significantly less joint damage. Although joint destruction was decreased in Jnk2-/- mice with CIA, EMSA and Northern blot anal. of total joint exts. revealed similar levels of AP-1 binding and MMP-13 **expression** in Jnk2-/- and wild-type mice. The lack of correlation with AP-1 activity and MMP **expression** was probably because non-FLS cells in the joint may **express** more JNK-1 than do FLS. JNK-2 is a determinant of matrix degrdn., but it has little effect on inflammation in arthritis. Complete inhibition of MMP **expression** and joint destruction will likely require combined JNK-1 and JNK-2 inhibition.

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DUPLICATE 3

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002400327 IN-PROCESS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 22144463 PubMed ID: 12149148

TITLE: An Anti-GD2 Monoclonal Antibody Enhances Apoptotic Effects of Anti-cancer Drugs against Small Cell Lung Cancer Cells via JNK (c-Jun Terminal Kinase) Activation.

AUTHOR: Yoshida Shoko; Kawaguchi Haruhiko; Sato Shigeki; Ueda Ryuzo; Furukawa Koichi

CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Biochemistry II, Nagoya University School of Medicine, Showa-ku, Nagoya 466-0065, Japan..  
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SOURCE: JAPANESE JOURNAL OF CANCER RESEARCH, (2002 Jul) 93 (7)

816-24.

Journal code: 8509412. ISSN: 0910-5050.

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LANGUAGE: English  
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AB Small cell lung cancer (SCLC) cell lines specifically **express** ganglioside GD2, and anti-GD2 monoclonal antibodies (mAbs) caused suppression of cell growth and induced apoptosis of SCLC cells with single use. Here, enhancement of the cytotoxic effects of various anti-cancer drugs with an anti-GD2 mAb was demonstrated. The cytotoxicity of all six drugs examined was markedly enhanced, i.e. 2.4 - 7.8-fold increase of cell sensitivity in terms of IC(50). In particular, the combination of cisplatin (CDDP) with an anti-GD2 mAb resulted in prominent enhancement of cytotoxicity even in low - moderate GD2-**expressing** lines. The anti-GD2 mAb induced weak activation of **c-Jun terminal kinase** (JNK) in SCLC cells, and all anti-cancer drugs also induced its activation to various degrees. When CDDP and an anti-GD2 mAb were used together, significantly stronger JNK activation was observed corresponding to the cytotoxic effects, suggesting that synergistic phosphorylation of JNK with two reagents induced prominent apoptosis. The essential role of JNK in the induction of SCLC apoptosis with CDDP and anti-GD2 mAb was confirmed by experiments with a JNK inhibitor, curcumin. These results suggest that anti-GD2 mAbs would be very efficient in combination with anti-cancer drugs, both to achieve SCLC-specific cytotoxicity and to enhance its magnitude.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002096084 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 21683411 PubMed ID: 11825878  
TITLE: Activation of the JNK pathway during dorsal closure in Drosophila requires the mixed lineage kinase, slipper.  
AUTHOR: Stronach Beth; Perrimon Norbert  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Genetics, Howard Hughes Medical Institute, Harvard Medical School, Boston, Massachusetts 02115, USA.  
CONTRACT NUMBER: GM19775 (NIGMS)  
SOURCE: GENES AND DEVELOPMENT, (2002 Feb 1) 16 (3) 377-87.  
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AB The Jun kinase (JNK) pathway has been characterized for its role in stimulating AP-1 activity and for modulating the balance between cell growth and death during development, inflammation, and cancer. Six families of mammalian kinases acting at the level of **JNKKK** have emerged as upstream regulators of JNK activity (MLK, LZK, TAK, ASK, MEKK, and TPL); however, the specificity underlying which kinase is utilized for transducing a distinct signal is poorly understood. In Drosophila, JNK signaling plays a central role in dorsal closure, controlling cell fate and cell sheet morphogenesis during embryogenesis. Notably, in the fly genome, there are single homologs of each of the mammalian **JNKKK** families. Here, we identify mutations in one of those, a mixed lineage kinase, named slipper (slpr), and show that it is required for JNK activation during dorsal closure. Furthermore, our results show that other putative **JNKKKs** cannot compensate for the loss of slpr

function and, thus, may regulate other JNK or MAPK-dependent processes.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:440991 BIOSIS  
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TITLE: Unimpaired activation of c-Jun NH2-terminal kinase (JNK) 1  
upon CD40 stimulation in B cells of patients with X-linked  
agammaglobulinemia.  
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AB X-linked agammaglobulinemia (XLA) is caused by mutations in the gene  
encoding the cytoplasmic Bruton's tyrosine kinase (Btk). Btk has been  
shown to play an essential role in the development of B1 (CD5+) and  
conventional circulating mature B cells (B2) in mouse and man. It has been  
shown in earlier studies that Btk is involved in both the BCR- and  
CD40-mediated signaling pathways. In this study, we analyzed the  
responsiveness of Epstein-Barr virus (EBV) transformed B cells from nine  
XLA patients to CD40 stimulation, particularly the CD40 induced activation  
of c-Jun N-terminal kinase (JNK). In eight XLA patients the JNK activation  
was unimpaired and in one case JNK could not be activated by anti-CD40  
stimulation. Btk protein **expression** was detectable by Western  
blotting in six cases, in one case Btk **expression** was  
drastically reduced, and in three cases no Btk **expression** could  
be observed. Btk kinase activity was found in three cases and it was  
reduced in one and not detectable in five cases. Furthermore, in one  
female patient with an agammaglobulinemia, Btk **expression** and  
function as well as JNK activation by CD40 stimulation was unimpaired. Our  
findings demonstrate that JNK activation via the CD40 signaling pathway is  
intact in EBV-transformed B cells of most if not all XLA patients,  
independent of the mutation and its effect on Btk **expression** and  
kinase activity. We suggest that Btk is not necessary for the activation  
of JNK upon CD40 stimulation, at least in the B cell subpopulation we had  
studied. We cannot exclude that these B cells belong to a "leaky" B-cell  
subpopulation in which the CD40 signaling pathway has become independent  
of Btk function.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:362809 BIOSIS  
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TITLE: Intrinsic P-glycoprotein **expression** in  
multicellular prostate tumor spheroids is regulated by  
reactive oxygen species.  
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TITLE: New polynucleotides encoding a c-Jun N-terminal kinase kinase  
kinases i.e. MLK4, PAK4, associated with skin damage for use  
in drug screening and development;  
vector-mediated gene transfer, **expression** in  
host cell, antisense oligonucleotide and ribozyme for  
**recombinant** protein production and disease gene  
therapy

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AB The human DNA sequences as defined by protein sequences of the: MLK4 gene  
containing 54 amino acids (I); PAK4 gene containing 48 amino acids (II);  
PAK5 gene containing 48 amino acids (III), 311 amino acids (IV) or 681  
amino acids (V); and the YSK gene containing 48 amino acids (VI) (all  
specified), are claimed. Also claimed are: a **recombinant**  
vector containing (I-VI) or derivatives of (I-VI); a host cell containing  
the vector; a substantially purified or isolated protein (VII) containing  
a protein sequence selected from (I-VI); preparation of (VII) by  
culturing the host cell under conditions that allow **expression**  
of the protein and recovering the protein; an antibody specific to a  
protein containing (I-VI); screening compounds (e.g. antisense  
oligonucleotides or ribozymes) that affect the cellular levels of c-Jun  
N-terminal kinase kinase (**JNKKK**) gene product; screening  
compounds that affect the activity of a **JNKKK**; identifying a  
binding partner of YSK2; and detection of an MLK4-, PAK4-, PAK5- or  
YSK2-related DNA in a sample. The new DNA sequences encoding a  
**JNKKK** protein, which is associated with skin damage is useful in  
drug screening. (51pp)

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TITLE: Dishevelled regulates the metabolism of amyloid precursor  
protein via protein kinase C/mitogen-activated protein  
kinase and **c-Jun terminal**  
**kinase.**

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AB Alzheimer's disease (AD) is a disorder of two pathologies: amyloid plaques, the core of which is a peptide derived from the amyloid precursor protein (APP), and neurofibrillary tangles composed of highly phosphorylated tau. Protein kinase C (PKC) is known to increase non-amyloidogenic alpha-secretase cleavage of APP, producing secreted APP (sAPPalpha), and glycogen synthase kinase (GSK)-3beta is known to increase tau phosphorylation. Both PKC and GSK-3beta are components of the wnt signaling cascade. Here we demonstrate that overexpression of another member of this pathway, dishevelled (dvl-1), increases sAPPalpha production. The dishevelled action on APP is mediated via both **c-jun terminal kinase** (JNK) and protein kinase C (PKC)/mitogen-activated protein (MAP) kinase but not via p38 MAP kinase. These data position dvl-1 upstream of both PKC and JNK, thereby explaining the previously observed dual signaling action of dvl-1. Furthermore, we show that human dvl-1 and wnt-1 also reduce the phosphorylation of tau by GSK-3beta. Therefore, both APP metabolism and tau phosphorylation are potentially linked through wnt signaling.

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DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200100100647  
TITLE: Insulin-like growth factor-1 protects H9c2 cardiac myoblasts from oxidative stress-induced apoptosis via phosphatidylinositol 3-kinase and extracellular signal-regulated kinase pathways.  
AUTHOR(S): Hong, Feng; Kwon, Si Joong; Jhun, Bong Sook; Kim, Sung Soo; Ha, Joohun; Kim, Soo-Ja; Sohn, Nak Won; Kang, Chulhun; Kang, Insug (1)  
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AB Oxidative stress plays a critical role in cardiac injuries during ischemia/reperfusion. Insulin-like growth factor-1 (IGF-1) promotes cell survival in a number of cell types, but the effect of IGF-1 on the oxidative stress has not been elucidated in cardiac muscle cells. Therefore, we examined the role of IGF-1 signaling pathway in cell survival against H2O2-induced apoptosis in H9c2 cardiac myoblasts. H2O2 treatment induced apoptosis in H9c2 cells, and pretreatment of cells with IGF-1 suppressed apoptotic cell death. The antiapoptotic effect of IGF-1 was blocked by LY294002 (an inhibitor of phosphatidylinositol 3-kinase) and by PD98059 (an inhibitor of extracellular signal-regulated kinase (ERK)). The protective effect of IGF-1 was also blocked by rapamycin (an inhibitor of p70 S6 kinase). Furthermore, H9c2 cells stably transfected with constitutively active PI 3-kinase (H9c2-p110\*) and Akt (H9c2-Gag-Akt) constructs were more resistant to H2O2 cytotoxicity than control cells. Although H2O2 activates both p38 mitogen-activated protein kinase (MAPK) and c-Jun N-terminal kinase (JNK), IGF-1 inhibited only JNK activation. Activated PI 3-kinase (H9c2-p110\*) and pretreatment of cells with IGF-1 down-regulated Bax protein levels compared to control cells. Taken together, our results suggest that IGF-1 transmits a survival signal against oxidative stress-induced apoptosis in H9c2 cells via PI 3-kinase

and ERK-dependent pathways and the protective effect of IGF-1 is associated with the inhibition of JNK activation and Bax **expression**.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001186677 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 21172182 PubMed ID: 11274246  
TITLE: Polycystin: new aspects of structure, function, and regulation.  
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AB Polycystin-1 is a modular membrane protein with a long extracellular N-terminal portion that bears several ligand-binding domains, 11 transmembrane domains, and a > or =200 amino acid intracellular C-terminal portion with several phosphorylation signaling sites. Polycystin-1 is highly **expressed** in the basal membranes of ureteric bud epithelia during early development of the metanephric kidney, and disruption of the PKD1 gene in mice leads to cystic kidneys and embryonic or perinatal death. It is proposed that polycystin-1 functions as a matrix receptor to link the extracellular matrix to the actin cytoskeleton via focal adhesion proteins. Co-localization, co-sedimentation, and co-immunoprecipitation studies show that polycystin-1 forms multiprotein complexes with alpha2beta1-integrin, talin, vinculin, paxillin, p130cas, focal adhesion kinase, and c-src in normal human fetal collecting tubules and sub-confluent epithelial cultures. In normal adult kidneys and confluent epithelial cultures, polycystin-1 is downregulated and forms complexes with the cell-cell adherens junction proteins E-cadherin and beta-, gamma-, and alpha-catenin. Polycystin-1 activation at the cell membrane leads to intracellular signaling via phosphorylation through the **c-Jun terminal kinase** and wnt pathways leading to activation of AP-1 and TCF/LEF-dependent genes, respectively. The C-terminal of polycystin-1 has been shown to be phosphorylated by c-src at Y4237, by protein kinase A at S4252, and by focal adhesion kinase and protein kinase X at yet-to-be identified residues. Inhibition of tyrosine phosphorylation or increased cellular calcium increases polycystin-1 focal adhesion complexes versus polycystin-1 adherens junction complexes, whereas disruption of the actin cytoskeleton dissociates all polycystin-1 complexes. Genetic evidence suggests that PKD1, PKD2, NPHP1, and tensin are in the same pathway.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001487063 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 21421231 PubMed ID: 11529938  
TITLE: Sulphasalazine inhibits macrophage activation: inhibitory effects on inducible nitric oxide synthase **expression**, interleukin-12 production and major histocompatibility complex II **expression**.  
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AB The anti-inflammatory agent sulphasalazine is an important component of several treatment regimens in the therapy of ulcerative colitis, Crohn's disease and rheumatoid arthritis. Sulphasalazine has many immunomodulatory actions, including modulation of the function of a variety of cell types, such as lymphocytes, natural killer cells, epithelial cells and mast cells. However, the effect of this agent on macrophage (M phi) function has not been characterized in detail. In the present study, we investigated the effect of sulphasalazine and two related compounds - sulphapyridine and 5-aminosalicylic acid - on M phi activation induced by bacterial lipopolysaccharide (LPS) and interferon-gamma (IFN-gamma). In J774 M phi stimulated with LPS (10 microg/ml) and IFN-gamma (100 U/ml), sulphasalazine (50-500 microM) suppressed nitric oxide (NO) production in a concentration-dependent manner. The **expression** of the inducible NO synthase (iNOS) was suppressed by sulphasalazine at 500 microM. Sulphasalazine inhibited the LPS/IFN-gamma-induced production of both interleukin-12 (IL-12) p40 and p70. The suppression of both NO and IL-12 production by sulphasalazine was superior to that by either sulphapyridine or 5-aminosalicylic acid. Although the combination of LPS and IFN-gamma induced a rapid **expression** of the active forms of p38 and p42/44 mitogen-activated protein kinases and **c-Jun terminal kinase**, sulphasalazine failed to interfere with the activation of any of these kinases. Finally, sulphasalazine suppressed the IFN-gamma-induced **expression** of major histocompatibility complex class II. These results demonstrate that the M phi is an important target of the immunosuppressive effect of sulphasalazine.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001200195 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 21184106 PubMed ID: 11287182  
TITLE: The role of the Drosophila TAK homologue dTAK during development.  
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AB The TAK kinases belong to the MAPKKK group and have been implicated in a variety of signaling events. Originally described as a TGF-beta activated kinase (TAK) it has, however, subsequently been demonstrated to signal through p38, Jun N-terminal kinase (JNK) and Nemo types of MAP kinases,



and the NFkappaB inducing kinase. Despite these multiple proposed functions, the in vivo role of TAK family kinases remains unclear. Here we report the isolation and genetic characterization of the Drosophila TAK homologue (dTAK). By employing overexpression and double-stranded RNA interference (RNAi) techniques we have analyzed its function during embryogenesis and larval development. Overexpression of dTAK in the embryonic epidermis is sufficient to induce the transcription of the JNK target genes decapentaplegic and puckered. Furthermore, overexpression of dominant negative (DN) or wild-type forms of dTAK in wing and eye imaginal discs, respectively, results in defects in thorax closure and ommatidial planar polarity, two well described phenotypes associated with JNK signaling activity. Surprisingly, RNAi and DN-dTAK **expression** studies in the embryo argue for a differential requirement of dTAK during developmental processes controlled by JNK signaling, and a redundant or minor role of dTAK in dorsal closure. In addition, dTAK-mediated activation of JNK in the Drosophila eye imaginal disc leads to an eye ablation phenotype due to ectopically induced apoptotic cell death. Genetic analyses in the eye indicate that dTAK can also act through the p38 and Nemo kinases in imaginal discs. Our results suggest that dTAK can act as a **JNKKK** upstream of JNK in multiple contexts and also other MAPKs in the eye. However, the loss-of-function RNAi studies indicate that it is not strictly required and thus either redundant or playing only a minor role in the context of embryonic dorsal closure.

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 TITLE: Differential **expression** of active, phosphorylation-dependent MAP kinases, MAPK/ERK, SAPK/JNK and p38, and specific transcription factor substrates following quinolinic acid excitotoxicity in the rat.  
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AB Excitotoxicity is considered a major cell death inductor in neurodegeneration. Yet mechanisms involved in cell death and cell survival following excitotoxic insults are poorly understood. **Expression** of active, phosphorylation-dependent mitogen-activated extracellular signal-regulated kinases (MAPK/ERKs), stress activated c-Jun N-terminal kinases (SAPK/JNKs) and p38 kinases, as well as their putative active specific transcriptional factor substrates CREB, Elk-1, ATF-2, c-Myc and c-Jun, have been examined following intracortical injection of the glutamate analogue quinolinic acid (QA). Increased JNKP and p38P immunoreactivity has been found in the core at 1 h following QA injection, whereas increased MAPKP immunoreactivity occurs in neurons and glial cells localised around the lesion and in neurons in remote cortical regions. This is accompanied by strong phosphorylated Ser63 c-Jun (c-JunP) immunoreactivity in the core at 3 h, and by strong phosphorylated CREB, Elk-1 and ATF-2 (CREBP, Elk-1P and ATF-2P) immunoreactivity mainly in neurons around the core at 24 h following QA injection. Examination with the method of in situ end-labelling of nuclear DNA fragmentation has revealed large numbers of positive cells with no apoptotic morphology in the core at 24 h, thus indicating that JNKP, p38P and c-JunP over-**expression** precedes cell death. In contrast, MAPKP, CREBP, Elk-1P

and ATF-2P, but not phosphorylated c-Myc (c-MycP). over-expression correlates with cell survival. Examination of cleaved, active caspase-3 has shown specific immunoreactivity restricted to a few hematogenous cells in the area of injection. Since cleaved caspase-3 is not **expressed** by dying cells in the present paradigm, JNKP, p38P and c-JunP **expression** is not associated with caspase-3 activation. The present results demonstrate selective activation of specific MAPK signals which are involved either in cell death or cell survival triggered by excitotoxic insult.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:263716 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200200263716  
TITLE: The apoptosome is a target of Jun kinase in nitric oxide-induced cardiac myocyte apoptosis.  
AUTHOR(S): Andreka, Peter (1); Dougherty, Christopher (1); Slepak, Tatiana I. (1); Webster, Keith A. (1); Bishopric, Nanette H. (1)  
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SOURCE: Circulation, (October 23, 2001) Vol. 104, No. 17 Supplement, pp. II.142. <http://circ.ahajournals.org/>. print.  
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TITLE: Hairy leukoplakia: an unusual combination of transforming and permissive Epstein-Barr virus infections.  
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AB Human herpesviruses are characterized by distinct states of infection. Typically in permissive herpesvirus infection, abundant virus production results in cell lysis. In latent transforming Epstein-Barr virus (EBV) infection, viral proteins that induce cell growth are **expressed**. The immunodeficiency-associated hairy leukoplakia (HLP) lesion is the only pathologic manifestation of permissive EBV infection; however, within HLP, viral proteins characteristic of latent infection have also been detected. In this study, we further analyzed **expression** of EBV latent genes and investigated their contribution to the unique histologic phenotype of HLP. Coexpression of lytic and transforming viral proteins

was detected simultaneously within individual HLP keratinocytes. LMP1 has now been shown to be uniformly **expressed** in the affected tissue, and it is associated and colocalizes with tumor necrosis factor receptor-associated factor (TRAF) signaling molecules. Effects induced by activated TRAF signaling that were detected in HLP included activation of NF-kappaB and **c-Jun terminal kinase** 1 (JNK1) and upregulated **expression** of epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR), CD40, A20, and TRAFs. This study identifies a novel state of EBV infection with concurrent **expression** of replicative and transforming proteins. It is probable that both replicative and latent proteins contribute to HLP development and induce many of the histologic features of HLP, such as acanthosis and hyperproliferation. In contrast to other permissive herpesvirus infections, **expression** of EBV transforming proteins within the permissively infected HLP tissue enables epithelial cell survival and may enhance viral replication.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:179435 BIOSIS  
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TITLE: IL-4 regulation of IL-6 production involves Rac/Cdc42- and p38 MAPK-dependent pathways in keratinocytes.  
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AB The stress-activated pathways leading to activation of p38 MAP kinase (p38 MAPK) and c-jun N-terminal kinases (JNK) have been shown to be activated by pro-inflammatory cytokines, physical and chemical stresses as well as a variety of hematopoietic growth factors. One exception is interleukin (IL)-4, which does not activate this pathway in hematopoietic cell. We report here that in A431, a keratinocytic cell line, IL-4 activates Rac and Cdc42 and their downstream effector p21-activated kinase (PAK). Rac and Cdc42 appear to regulate a protein kinase cascade initiated at the level of PAK and leading to activation of p38 MAPK, since IL-4 stimulates tyrosine phosphorylation of p38 MAPK and increases its catalytic activity. As A431 cells are able to produce IL-6 in response to IL-4 stimulation, we assessed the involvement of p38 MAPK in IL-6 gene **expression**. A pyrimidazole compound, SB203580, a specific inhibitor of p38 MAPK, inhibits production and gene **expression** of IL-6. SB203580 reduced significantly the stability of IL-6 mRNA. Here we provide evidence that p38 MAPK is activated in response to IL-4 and is involved in IL-6 synthesis by stabilizing IL-6 mRNA.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:314958 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200000314958  
TITLE: Vav modulation of the Ras/MEK/ERK signaling pathway plays a role in NFAT activation and CD69 up-regulation.  
AUTHOR(S): Villalba, Martin; Hernandez, Jerry; Deckert, Marcel; Tanaka, Yoshihiko; Altman, Amnon (1)  
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AB Vav is **expressed** exclusively in hematopoietic cells and becomes phosphorylated on tyrosine in response to antigen receptor ligation. Although Vav can act as a Rac-specific guanine nucleotide exchange factor in vitro and as a c-Jun N-terminal kinase (JNK) activator in ectopic **expression** systems, its physiological functions in lymphocytes remain unclear. Indirect evidence suggests that Vav interacts with the Ras/ERK pathway in T cells. Here, we analyzed the effects of Vav on three known downstream targets of Ras, i. e. activation of ERK and NFAT, and up-regulation of the activation antigen CD69. The MEK inhibitor PD90859 inhibited Vav-induced activation of ERK, and Vav- or anti-CD3-induced activation of NFAT, suggesting that MEK and ERK are involved in Vav-mediated NFAT activation. Similarly to Ras, Vav cooperated with constitutively active calcineurin and with ERK to activate NFAT, and was capable of up-regulating CD69 **expression** in T cells. Moreover, these Vav-mediated functions were all inhibited by a dominant negative Ras mutant. Conversely, however, dominant negative Vav did not inhibit NFAT and ERK activation or CD69 **expression** induced by an active Ras mutant. These findings indicate that Ras functions as an important downstream target of Vav in signaling pathways that lead to NFAT and ERK activation, and to CD69 **expression**. Moreover, the finding that Vav- (or Ras-) induced CD69 **expression** was not inhibited by a dominant negative Rac mutant indicates that Vav mediates some Ras-dependent, but Rac-independent, functions in T cells.

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AB Arsenic produces a variety of stress responses in mammalian cells, including metabolic abnormalities accompanied by growth inhibition and eventually apoptosis. Morphological alterations in cells exposed to arsenic often suggest underlying disruption of cytoskeletal structural elements responsible for cellular integrity, shape, and locomotion. However, specifics of the ultrastructural changes produced by arsenic remain poorly understood. Various tissues and organs differ in their sensitivity to arsenic, with the liver and skin being the most studied. Characteristic skin pathology related to arsenic exposure ranges from hyperkeratotic lesions to squamous-cell carcinomas. However, molecular events in the arsenic-exposed skin still remain to be elucidated. Although mutagenicity of arsenic has not been unequivocally established, recent evidence supports the view that oncogenic mutations do occur, and that only selected enzymes related to DNA replication and repair are affected by arsenic. Sensitivity of the mitotic spindle to arsenic, particularly its organic compounds, underlies the well-documented chromosomal aberrations in arsenic-exposed populations.

Arsenite-induced stress at the molecular level shares many features with the heat shock response. This includes the differential sensitivity of the stress signal pathway elements to the magnitude of the stress, stressor-specific activation of the response elements, and the protective role of the heat shock response. Oxidative stress, the central component of heat shock response, is typical of arsenic-related effects that are, in fact, regarded as the chemical paradigm of heat stress. Similar to heat stress, arsenite induces heat shock proteins (HSPs) of various sizes. The signal cascade triggered by arsenitelike heat stress induces the activity of the mitogen-activated protein (MAP) kinases, extracellular regulated kinase (ERK), **c-jun terminal kinase** (JNK), and p38. Through the JNK and p38 pathways, arsenite activates the immediate early genes c-fos, c-jun, and egr-1, usually activated by various growth factors, cytokines, differentiation signals, and DNA-damaging agents. Like other oxygen radical-producing stressors, arsenic induces nitric oxide production at the level of transcriptional activation along with induction of poly(ADP)-ribosylation, NAD depletion, DNA strand breaks, and formation of micronuclei.

This review presents an overview of current research on molecular aspects of arsenic stress with an emphasis on the tissue-specific events in humans. It deals with current progress on the understanding of the signal transduction pathways and mechanisms underlying the sensitivity of various species, organs, and tissues to arsenic.

L8 ANSWER 22 OF 28 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2003 BIOLOGICAL ABSTRACTS INC. on STN  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:297551 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200100297551  
TITLE: The humanized anti-CD20 antibody Rituxan induces apoptosis in B-cell chronic lymphocytic leukemia (B-CLL) cells in-vitro and in-vivo, through a p38 MAP-kinase dependent signaling pathway.  
AUTHOR(S): Pedersen, Irene M. (1); Buhl, Anne-Mette (1); Klausen, Pia (1); Geisler, Christian H. (1); Jurlander, Jesper (1)  
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AB Antibodies against CD20 have been shown to induce cell death in B-lymphocytes through three different mechanisms: i) antibody dependent cellular cytotoxicity, ii) complement mediated cellular cytotoxicity and iii) induction of apoptosis. We have demonstrated that the last mechanism is responsible for Rituxan-induced cell death in freshly isolated leukemic cells from patients with B-cell chronic lymphocytic leukemia (B-CLL) (Blood 1999, vol 94, suppl. 1, 120(a)). Rituxan-induced apoptosis is related to: i) activation of the three MAP-kinases ERK, JNK and p38, ii) upregulation of the pro-apoptotic proteins p53 and bax and iii) induction of effector caspase activity. We now report that the induction of apoptosis is dependent on p38 MAP-kinase activity, and provide evidence to suggest that a similar mechanism is active in-vivo. When B-CLL cells were cultured in the presence of cross-linked Rituxan and a specific inhibitor of p38 (SB203580), the degree of apoptosis was decreased by a mean of 43% (Range: 26-65%; n=7). SB203580 inhibited p38 kinase activity in-vitro, and completely blocked Rituxan-induced activation of MAPKAP-K2, a kinase immediately downstream of p38. In order to determine if Rituxan also induces apoptosis and MAP-kinase activation in-vivo, we isolated leukemic

cells from three patients treated with Rituxan (375 mg/msq) and analysed these cells for Annexin-binding and **expression** of the phosphorylated forms of p38, ERK and JNK. In all three patients, a significant increase in the percentage of Annexin-positive B-cells was observed within 15 minutes after start of the infusion. Concomitantly, an increase in the level of MAP-kinase phosphorylation was observed. Thus, our results demonstrate that Rituxan specifically induces apoptosis in B-CLL cells in-vitro through a p38-dependent signaling pathway. We suggest that a similar mechanism is responsible for the activity of Rituxan in-vivo. Taken together, these results predict that Rituxan may act in synergy with other agents (i.e. topoisomerase-II inhibitors) that induce apoptosis through p38-dependent mechanisms.

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 TITLE: Spermine differentially regulates the production of interleukin-12 p40 and interleukin-10 and suppresses the release of the T helper 1 cytokine interferon-gamma.  
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AB Polyamines are endogenous immunomodulatory molecules. Recent studies revealed that polyamines suppress the production of proinflammatory cytokines and nitric oxide. In the present study, we investigated the effect of the polyamines spermine, spermidine, and putrescine on the production of interleukin (IL)-12 p40, IL-10, and interferon (IFN-gamma) in mouse peritoneal macrophages and spleen cell suspensions. Spermine, but not spermidine or putrescine, suppressed, in a concentration-dependent manner, the production of IL-12 p40 by lipopolysaccharide (LPS)-stimulated macrophages. The effect of spermine was post-transcriptional, because steady-state levels of messenger ribonucleic acid (mRNAs) for IL-12 (p35 and p40) were not affected. In contrast to its inhibitory effect on IL-12 p40, spermine (0.3-3 microM) augmented IL-10 production. The down-regulation of IL-12 p40 by spermine was independent of enhancement of IL-10 by this agent, for spermine retained its ability to suppress IL-12 production in peritoneal macrophages obtained from IL-10-deficient mice. The alterations in cytokine production by spermine did not involve an effect on early intracellular pathways of LPS signal transduction, including the p38 or p42/44 mitogen-activated protein kinases, or the **c-jun terminal kinase**. In spleen cell suspensions, spermine suppressed the release of IFN-gamma induced either by LPS or anti-CD3 antibody. In summary, spermine exerts anti-inflammatory effects by suppressing IL-12 and IFN-gamma and by augmenting the production of IL-10.

L8 ANSWER 24 OF 28 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2003 BIOLOGICAL ABSTRACTS INC. on STN  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:466819 BIOSIS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV199900466819  
 TITLE: Leukocyte microparticles stimulate endothelial cell cytokine release and tissue factor induction in a JNK1

signaling pathway.  
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AB A role of membrane microparticles (MP) released by vascular cells in endothelial cell (EC) activation was investigated. Flow cytometric analysis of blood samples from normal volunteers revealed the presence of an heterogeneous MP population, which increased by approx2-fold after inflammatory stimulation with the chemotactic peptide, N-formyl-Met-Leu-Phe (2,799 +/- 360 versus 5241 +/- 640, p < 0.001). Blood-derived MP stimulated release of EC cytokines interleukin (IL)-6 (377 +/- 68 pg/ml) and MCP-1 (1,282 +/- 79) and up-regulated de novo **expression** of tissue factor on the EC surface. This was associated with generation of a factor Xa-dependent procoagulant response (2.28 +/- 0.56 nM factor Xa/min/104 cells), in a reaction inhibited by a monoclonal antibody to tissue factor. Fluorescent labeling with antibodies to platelet GPIIb/IIIa or leukocyte lactoferrin demonstrated that circulating MP originated from both platelets and leukocytes. However, depletion of platelet MP with an antibody to GPIIb/IIIa did not reduce EC IL-6 release, and, similarly, MP from thrombin-stimulated platelets did not induce IL-6 release from endothelium. EC stimulation with leukocyte MP did not result in activation of the transcription factor NF-kappaB and was not associated with tyrosine phosphorylation of extracellular signal-regulated protein kinase, ERK1. In contrast, leukocyte MP stimulated a sustained, time-dependent increased tyrosine phosphorylation of approx46-kDa c-Jun NH2-terminal kinase (JNK1) in EC. These findings demonstrate that circulating leukocyte MP are up-regulated by inflammatory stimulation in vivo and activate a stress signaling pathway in EC, leading to increased procoagulant and proinflammatory activity. This may provide an alternative mechanism of EC activation, potentially contributing to dysregulation of endothelial functions during vascular injury.

L8 ANSWER 25 OF 28 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 9  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998261450 MEDLINE  
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 TITLE: T-Cell receptor signaling pathway exerts a negative control on thrombin-mediated increase in [Ca2+]i and p38 MAPK activation in Jurkat T cells: implication of the tyrosine kinase p56Lck.  
 AUTHOR: Maulon L; Guerin S; Ricci J E; Breittmayer D F; Auburger P  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: CJF INSERM 96.05, Activation des Cellules Hematopoietiques, Faculte de Medecine, Nice Cedex, France.  
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AB Activation of the mitogen-activated protein kinase (Erk) and **c-Jun terminal kinase** is a well-documented mechanism for the seven transmembrane spanning receptors. We have previously shown that thrombin stimulation of the T-leukemic cell line

Jurkat induced a transient increase in  $[Ca^{2+}]_i$  and tyrosine phosphorylation of several cellular proteins. Here, we have analyzed p42-44 MAPK, JNK and p38 MAPK activation using Jurkat T-cell lines deficient in either the tyrosine kinase p56Lck (JCaM1) or the tyrosine phosphatase CD45 (J45.01). Our results demonstrate that p56Lck and CD45 exert a negative control on thrombin-induced p38 MAPK activation and  $[Ca^{2+}]_i$  release in Jurkat cells. Thrombin receptor **expression** was identical on the different cell lines as assessed by FACS analysis. Tyrosine phosphorylation of p38 MAPK was drastically increased after thrombin stimulation of JCaM1 or J45.01 cells, as compared with parental cells (JE6.1). P42-44 MAPK and JNK activity also enhanced after thrombin treatment of JE6.1 and JCaM1 cell lines, whereas basal kinase activity was higher in J45.01 cells and was not further stimulated by thrombin. Thrombin and thrombin receptor agonist peptide-induced  $[Ca^{2+}]_i$  mobilization paralleled p38 MAPK activation in JCaM1 and J45.01 cells. Moreover, reconstitution of J45.01 and JCaM1 cell lines with either CD45 or Lck is accompanied by restoration of a normal thrombin-induced  $[Ca^{2+}]_i$  response and p38MAPK phosphorylation. These data show that a component of the T-cell receptor signaling pathway exerts a negative control on thrombin-induced responses in Jurkat T cells. Accordingly, we found that thrombin enhanced tyrosine phosphorylation of p56Lck and decreased p56Lck kinase activity in J45.01 cells. Our results are consistent with a negative role for p56Lck on thrombin-induced  $[Ca^{2+}]_i$  release and p38 MAPK activation in Jurkat T-cell lines.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998:315209 BIOSIS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV199800315209  
 TITLE: Activation of mitogen-activated protein kinases (p38-MAPKs, SAPKs/JNKs and ERKs) by the G-protein-coupled receptor agonist phenylephrine in the perfused rat heart.  
 AUTHOR(S): Lazou, Antigone; Sugden, Peter H. (1); Clerk, Angela  
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 SOURCE: Biochemical Journal, (June 1, 1998) Vol. 332, No. 2, pp. 459-465.  
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 DOCUMENT TYPE: Article  
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AB We investigated the ability of phenylephrine (PE), an alpha-adrenergic agonist and promoter of hypertrophic growth in the ventricular myocyte, to activate the three best-characterized mitogen-activated protein kinase (MAPK) subfamilies, namely p38-MAPKs, SAPKs/JNKs (i.e. stress-activated protein kinases/c-Jun N-terminal kinases) and ERKs (extracellularly responsive kinases), in perfused contracting rat hearts. Perfusion of hearts with 100  $\mu$ M PE caused a rapid (maximal at 10 min) 12-fold activation of two p38-MAPK isoforms, as measured by subsequent phosphorylation of a p38-MAPK substrate, **recombinant** MAPK-activated protein kinase 2 (MAPKAPK2). This activation coincided with phosphorylation of p38-MAPK. Endogenous MAPKAPK2 was activated 4-5-fold in these perfusions and this was inhibited completely by the p38-MAPK inhibitor, SB203580 (10  $\mu$ M). Activation of p38-MAPK and MAPKAPK2 was also detected in non-contracting hearts perfused with PE, indicating that the effects were not dependent on the positive inotropic/chronotropic properties of the agonist. Although SAPKs/JNKs were also rapidly activated, the activation (2-3-fold) was less than that of p38-MAPK. The ERKs were activated by perfusion with PE and the activation was at least 50% of that seen with 1  $\mu$ M PMA, the most powerful activator of the ERKs yet identified in cardiac myocytes. These results indicate that, in addition to the ERKs, two MAPK subfamilies, whose activation is more usually associated with cellular stresses, are activated by the Gq/11-protein-coupled receptor (Gq/11PCR) agonist, PE, in whole hearts.



These data indicate that Gq/111PCR agonists activate multiple MAPK signalling pathways in the heart, all of which may contribute to the overall response (e.g. the development of the hypertrophic phenotype).

L8 ANSWER 27 OF 28 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2003 BIOLOGICAL ABSTRACTS INC. on STN  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1997:19015 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV199799318218  
TITLE: Activation of a novel calcium-dependent protein-tyrosine kinase: Correlation with c-Jun N-terminal kinase but not mitogen-activated protein kinase activation.  
AUTHOR(S): Yu, Hong; Li, Xiong; Marchetto, Gail S.; Dy, Ruth; Hunter, Deborah; Calvo, Benjamin; Dawson, Tom L.; Wilm, Matthias; Andereg, Robert J.; Graves, Lee M.; Earp, H. Shelton (1)  
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Lineberger Comprehensive Cent., Dep. Med. Pharmacol., Univ. North Carolina Chapel Hill Sch. Med., Chapel Hill, NC 27599 USA  
SOURCE: Journal of Biological Chemistry, (1996) Vol. 271, No. 47, pp. 29993-29998.  
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DOCUMENT TYPE: Article  
LANGUAGE: English

AB Many G protein-coupled receptors (e.g. that of angiotensin II) activate phospholipase C-beta, initially increasing intracellular calcium and activating protein kinase C. In the WB and GN4 rat liver epithelial cell lines, agonist-induced calcium signals also stimulate tyrosine phosphorylation and subsequently increase the activity of c-Jun N-terminal kinase (JNK). We have now purified the major calcium-dependent tyrosine kinase (CADTK), and by peptide and nucleic acid sequencing identified it as a rat homologue of human PYK2. CADTK/PYK2 is most closely related to p125-FAK and both enzymes are **expressed** in NM and GN4 cells. Angiotensin II, which only slightly increases p125-FAK tyrosine phosphorylation in GN4 cells, substantially increased CADTK tyrosine autophosphorylation and kinase activity. Agonists for other G protein-coupled receptors (e.g. LPA), or those increasing intracellular calcium (thapsigargin), also stimulated CADTK. In comparing the two rat liver cell lines, GN4 cells exhibited approx 5-fold greater angiotensin II- and thapsigargin-dependent CADTK activation than WB cells. Although maximal JNK activation by stress-dependent pathways (e.g. UV and anisomycin) was equivalent in the two cell lines, calcium-dependent JNK activation was 5-fold greater in GN4, correlating with CADTK activation. In contrast to JNK the thapsigargin-dependent calcium signal did not activate mitogen-activated protein kinase and Ang II-dependent mitogen-activated protein kinase activation was not correlated with CADTK activation. Finally, while some stress-dependent activators of the JNK pathway (NaCl and sorbitol) stimulated CADTK, others (anisomycin, UV, and TNF-alpha) did not. In summary, cells **expressing** CADTK/PYK2 appear to have two alternative JNK activation pathways: one stress-activated and the other calcium-dependent.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1996:438043 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV199699151649  
TITLE: Rac-1 dependent stimulation of the JNK/SAPK signaling pathway by Vav.  
AUTHOR(S): Crespo, Piero; Bustelo, Xose R.; Aaronson, David S.; Coso, Omar A.; Lopez-Barahona, Monica; Barbacid, Mariano; Gutkind, J. Silvio (1)  
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Molecular Signaling Unit, Lab. Cellular Dev. and Oncol., Natl. Inst. Dent. Res., Natl. Inst. Health, Bethesda, MD 20892 USA  
SOURCE: Oncogene, (1996) Vol. 13, No. 3, pp. 455-460.  
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AB The protein product of the human vav oncogene, Vav, exhibits a number of structural motifs suggestive of a role in signal transduction pathways, including a leucine-rich region, a plekstrin homology (PH) domain, a cysteine-rich domain, two SH3 regions, an SH2 domain, and a central Dbl homology (DH) domain. However, the transforming pathway(s) activated by Vav has not yet been elucidated. Interestingly, DH domains are frequently found in guanine nucleotide-exchange factors for small GTP-binding proteins of the Ras and Rho families, and it has been recently shown that, whereas Ras controls the activation of mitogen activated kinases (MAPKs), two members of the Rho family of small GTPases, Rac 1 and Cdc42, regulate activity of stress activated protein kinases (SAPKs), also termed **c-jun terminal kinases** (JNKs). The structural similarity between Vav and other guanine nucleotide exchange factors for small GTP-binding proteins, together with the recent identification of biochemical routes specific for members of the Ras and Rho family of GTPases, prompted us to explore whether MAPK or JNK are downstream components of the Vav signaling pathways. Using the COS-7 cell transient **expression** system, we have found that neither Vav nor the product of the vav proto-oncogene, proto-Vav, can enhance the enzymatic activity of a coexpressed, epitope tagged MAPK. On the other hand, we have observed that, whereas proto-Vav can slightly elevate JNK/SAPK activity, oncogenic Vav potentially activates JNK/SAPK to an extent comparable to that elicited by two guanine-nucleotide exchange factors for Rho family members, Dbl and Ost. We also show that point mutations in conserved residues within the cysteine rich and DH domains of Vav both prevent its ability to activate JNK/SAPK and render Vav oncogenically inactive. In addition, we found that coexpression of the Rac-1 N17 dominant inhibitory mutant dramatically diminishes JNK/SAPK stimulation by Vav, as well as reduces the focus-forming ability of Vav in NIH3T3 murine fibroblasts. Taken together, these findings provide the first evidence that Rac-1 and JNK are integral components of the Vav signaling pathway.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001-08201 BIOTECHDS

TITLE: New polynucleotides encoding a c-Jun N-terminal kinase kinase  
kinases i.e. MLK4, PAK4, associated with skin damage for use  
in drug screening and development;  
vector-mediated gene transfer, expression in host cell,  
antisense oligonucleotide and ribozyme for recombinant  
protein production and disease gene therapy

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AB The human DNA sequences as defined by protein sequences of the: MLK4 gene  
containing 54 amino acids (I); PAK4 gene containing 48 amino acids (II);  
PAK5 gene containing 48 amino acids (III), 311 amino acids (IV) or 681  
amino acids (V); and the YSK gene containing 48 amino acids (VI) (all  
specified), are claimed. Also claimed are: a recombinant vector  
containing (I-VI) or derivatives of (I-VI); a host cell containing the  
vector; a substantially purified or isolated protein (VII) containing a  
protein sequence selected from (I-VI); preparation of (VII) by culturing  
the host cell under conditions that allow expression of the protein and  
recovering the protein; an antibody specific to a protein containing  
(I-VI); screening compounds (e.g. antisense oligonucleotides or  
ribozymes) that affect the cellular levels of c-Jun N-terminal kinase  
kinase kinase (JNKKK) gene product; screening compounds that affect the  
activity of a JNKKK; identifying a binding partner of YSK2; and detection  
of an MLK4-, PAK4-, PAK5- or YSK2-related DNA in a sample. The new DNA  
sequences encoding a JNKKK protein, which is associated with skin damage  
is useful in drug screening. (51pp)

L12 ANSWER 2 OF 2 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN

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DOCUMENT NUMBER: 134:232725

TITLE: Human genes and polynucleotides encoding novel c-Jun  
N-terminal kinase kinase kinases MLK4, PAK4, PAK5, and  
YSK2 expressed in keratinocytes and uses thereof

INVENTOR(S): Blumenberg, Miroslav; **Gazel, Alix M.**

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AB The invention relates to novel human polynucleotides and their encoded gene products which are the c-Jun N-terminal kinase kinase kinases MLK4, PAK4, PAK5, and YSK2. CDNAs encoding novel proteins with sequence homol. to c-Jun N-terminal kinase kinase kinases were cloned from human epidermal keratinocytes by RT-PCR using primers which correspond to the kinase domain. MRNAs for these kinases were detected in various tissues, including keratinocytes. Expression of the PAK5 mRNA is induced by UV-A light, while YSK2 mRNA is induced by UV-C light. A complete genomic sequence for the human PAK5 gene was obtained. The PAK5 gene was mapped to human chromosome 15 by its phys. linkage to a PLC-2 gene in a P1 genomic clone. The invention claims polynucleotides which are homologous to MLK4, PAK4, PAK5, and YSK2 genes and which can be detected using probes derived from the claimed sequences. In addn., the invention claims methods of using the disclosed polynucleotides and their gene products in drug discovery, esp. in screening for drugs that can reduce UV light-induced damage of the skin and inflammation.

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TITLE: Identification of JNK-dependent and -independent components of cerebellar granule neuron apoptosis.  
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CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Molecular Biology, Washington University School of Medicine, St Louis, Missouri 63110, USA.  
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AB Cerebellar granule neurons grown in high potassium undergo rapid apoptosis when switched to medium containing 5 mM potassium, a stimulus mimicking deafferentation. This cell death can be blocked by genetic deletion of Bax, a member of the pro-apoptotic Bcl-2 family, cycloheximide an inhibitor of macromolecular synthesis or **expression** of dominant-negative c-jun. These observations suggest that Bax activation is the result of c-jun target gene(s) up-regulation following trophic withdrawal. Candidate genes include the BH3-only Bcl-2 family members Dp5 and Bim. The molecular mechanisms underlying granule cell neuronal apoptosis in response to low potassium were investigated using CEP-1347 (KT7515), an inhibitor of the MLK family of **JNKKK**. CEP-1347 provided protection of potassium-serum-deprived granule cells, but such neuroprotection was not long term. The incomplete protection was not due to incomplete blockade of the JNK signaling pathway because c-jun phosphorylation as well as induction of c-jun RNA and protein were completely blocked by CEP-1347. Following potassium-serum deprivation the JNKK MKK4 becomes phosphorylated, an event blocked by CEP-1347. Cells that die in the presence of CEP-1347 activate caspases; and dual inhibition of caspases and MLKs has additive, not synergistic, effects on survival. A lack of synergism was also seen with the p38 inhibitor SB203580, indicating that the neuroprotective effect of the JNK pathway inhibitor cannot be explained by p38 activation. Activation of the JNK signaling pathway seems to be a key event in granule cell apoptosis, but these neurons cannot survive long term in the absence of sustained PI3 kinase signaling.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002437966 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 22174877 PubMed ID: 12187281  
TITLE: Activation of mitogen activated protein kinases and apoptosis of germ cells after vasectomy in the rat.  
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AB PURPOSE: Vasectomy induces a large amount of germ cell apoptosis. We examined the activation of mitogen activated protein kinases (MAPKs) in association with the apoptosis and proliferation of germ cells after vasectomy in the rat. MATERIALS AND METHODS: Eight-week-old Wistar rats underwent bilateral vasectomy and the testes were harvested 1 to 9 days after vasectomy. Germ cell apoptosis was evaluated by terminal deoxynucleotidyl transferase mediated deoxyuridine triphosphate nick end labeling and electrophoretic assay of DNA fragmentation. Western blotting and immunohistochemistry were used to examine the temporal and spatial activation of signal regulated kinases 1/2, **c-Jun-terminal kinases** 1/2 and p38. Phospho-specific MAPK antibodies were used to examine their activations. Proliferation of germ cells was evaluated by proliferative nuclear cell antigen **expression**. RESULTS: Germ cell apoptosis was detected predominantly in primary spermatocytes with a peak 7 days after vasectomy. Signal regulated kinases 1/2, **c-Jun-terminal kinases** 1/2 and p38 were constitutively **expressed** in the control testis. Western blotting and immunohistochemistry showed rapid activation of signal regulated kinases 1/2, followed by activation of **c-Jun-terminal kinases** 1/2 and p38. Immunohistochemical study demonstrated the temporal and spatial relationships of apoptosis and MAPK activation in primary spermatocytes. On the other hand, proliferating cell nuclear antigen **expression** was enhanced in tetraploid spermatocyte and spermatogonia maximally 5 days after vasectomy. CONCLUSIONS: MAPKs were rapidly activated after vasectomy and germ cell apoptosis was observed after vasectomy. In contrast to the delayed phase up to 24 weeks after vasectomy, we observed hyperdynamic cellular turnover, spermatocyte loss through apoptosis and enhanced germ cell proliferation transiently at the early phase after vasectomy.

L14 ANSWER 3 OF 28 MEDLINE on STN  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002400327 IN-PROCESS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 22144463 PubMed ID: 12149148  
TITLE: An Anti-GD2 Monoclonal Antibody Enhances Apoptotic Effects of Anti-cancer Drugs against Small Cell Lung Cancer Cells via JNK (**c-Jun Terminal Kinase**) Activation.  
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AB Small cell lung cancer (SCLC) cell lines specifically **express** ganglioside GD2, and anti-GD2 monoclonal antibodies (mAbs) caused suppression of cell growth and induced apoptosis of SCLC cells with single use. Here, enhancement of the cytotoxic effects of various anti-cancer drugs with an anti-GD2 mAb was demonstrated. The cytotoxicity of all six drugs examined was markedly enhanced, i.e. 2.4 - 7.8-fold increase of cell sensitivity in terms of IC(50). In particular, the combination of cisplatin (CDDP) with an anti-GD2 mAb resulted in prominent enhancement of cytotoxicity even in low - moderate GD2-**expressing** lines. The

anti-GD2 mAb induced weak activation of **c-Jun terminal kinase** (JNK) in SCLC cells, and all anti-cancer drugs also induced its activation to various degrees. When CDDP and an anti-GD2 mAb were used together, significantly stronger JNK activation was observed corresponding to the cytotoxic effects, suggesting that synergistic phosphorylation of JNK with two reagents induced prominent apoptosis. The essential role of JNK in the induction of SCLC apoptosis with CDDP and anti-GD2 mAb was confirmed by experiments with a JNK inhibitor, curcumin. These results suggest that anti-GD2 mAbs would be very efficient in combination with anti-cancer drugs, both to achieve SCLC-specific cytotoxicity and to enhance its magnitude.

L14 ANSWER 4 OF 28 MEDLINE on STN  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002096084 MEDLINE  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 21683411 PubMed ID: 11825878  
 TITLE: Activation of the JNK pathway during dorsal closure in Drosophila requires the mixed lineage kinase, slipper.  
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AB The Jun kinase (JNK) pathway has been characterized for its role in stimulating AP-1 activity and for modulating the balance between cell growth and death during development, inflammation, and cancer. Six families of mammalian kinases acting at the level of **JNKs** have emerged as upstream regulators of JNK activity (MLK, LZK, TAK, ASK, MEKK, and TPL); however, the specificity underlying which kinase is utilized for transducing a distinct signal is poorly understood. In Drosophila, JNK signaling plays a central role in dorsal closure, controlling cell fate and cell sheet morphogenesis during embryogenesis. Notably, in the fly genome, there are single homologs of each of the mammalian **JNKs** families. Here, we identify mutations in one of those, a mixed lineage kinase, named slipper (slpr), and show that it is required for JNK activation during dorsal closure. Furthermore, our results show that other putative **JNKs** cannot compensate for the loss of slpr function and, thus, may regulate other JNK or MAPK-dependent processes.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001487063 MEDLINE  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 21421231 PubMed ID: 11529938  
 TITLE: Sulphasalazine inhibits macrophage activation: inhibitory effects on inducible nitric oxide synthase **expression**, interleukin-12 production and major histocompatibility complex II **expression**.  
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AB The anti-inflammatory agent sulphasalazine is an important component of several treatment regimens in the therapy of ulcerative colitis, Crohn's disease and rheumatoid arthritis. Sulphasalazine has many immunomodulatory actions, including modulation of the function of a variety of cell types, such as lymphocytes, natural killer cells, epithelial cells and mast cells. However, the effect of this agent on macrophage (M phi) function has not been characterized in detail. In the present study, we investigated the effect of sulphasalazine and two related compounds - sulphapyridine and 5-aminosalicylic acid - on M phi activation induced by bacterial lipopolysaccharide (LPS) and interferon-gamma (IFN-gamma). In J774 M phi stimulated with LPS (10 microg/ml) and IFN-gamma (100 U/ml), sulphasalazine (50-500 microM) suppressed nitric oxide (NO) production in a concentration-dependent manner. The **expression** of the inducible NO synthase (iNOS) was suppressed by sulphasalazine at 500 microM. Sulphasalazine inhibited the LPS/IFN-gamma-induced production of both interleukin-12 (IL-12) p40 and p70. The suppression of both NO and IL-12 production by sulphasalazine was superior to that by either sulphapyridine or 5-aminosalicylic acid. Although the combination of LPS and IFN-gamma induced a rapid **expression** of the active forms of p38 and p42/44 mitogen-activated protein kinases and **c-Jun terminal kinase**, sulphasalazine failed to interfere with the activation of any of these kinases. Finally, sulphasalazine suppressed the IFN-gamma-induced **expression** of major histocompatibility complex class II. These results demonstrate that the M phi is an important target of the immunosuppressive effect of sulphasalazine.

L14 ANSWER 6 OF 28 MEDLINE on STN  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001404946 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 21331916 PubMed ID: 11438574  
TITLE: Dishevelled regulates the metabolism of amyloid precursor protein via protein kinase C/mitogen-activated protein kinase and **c-Jun terminal kinase**.  
AUTHOR: Mudher A; Chapman S; Richardson J; Asuni A; Gibb G; Pollard C; Killick R; Iqbal T; Raymond L; Varndell I; Sheppard P; Makoff A; Gower E; Soden P E; Lewis P; Murphy M; Golde T E; Rupniak H T; Anderton B H; Lovestone S  
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AB Alzheimer's disease (AD) is a disorder of two pathologies: amyloid plaques, the core of which is a peptide derived from the amyloid precursor protein (APP), and neurofibrillary tangles composed of highly phosphorylated tau. Protein kinase C (PKC) is known to increase non-amyloidogenic alpha-secretase cleavage of APP, producing secreted APP (sAPPalpha), and glycogen synthase kinase (GSK)-3beta is known to increase



tau phosphorylation. Both PKC and GSK-3beta are components of the wnt signaling cascade. Here we demonstrate that overexpression of another member of this pathway, dishevelled (dvl-1), increases sAPPalpha production. The dishevelled action on APP is mediated via both **c-jun terminal kinase** (JNK) and protein kinase C (PKC)/mitogen-activated protein (MAP) kinase but not via p38 MAP kinase. These data position dvl-1 upstream of both PKC and JNK, thereby explaining the previously observed dual signaling action of dvl-1. Furthermore, we show that human dvl-1 and wnt-1 also reduce the phosphorylation of tau by GSK-3beta. Therefore, both APP metabolism and tau phosphorylation are potentially linked through wnt signaling.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001200195 MEDLINE  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 21184106 PubMed ID: 11287182  
 TITLE: The role of the Drosophila TAK homologue dTAK during development.  
 AUTHOR: Mihaly J; Kockel L; Gaengel K; Weber U; Bohmann D; Mlodzik M  
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 SOURCE: MECHANISMS OF DEVELOPMENT, (2001 Apr) 102 (1-2) 67-79. Journal code: 9101218. ISSN: 0925-4773.  
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AB The TAK kinases belong to the MAPKKK group and have been implicated in a variety of signaling events. Originally described as a TGF-beta activated kinase (TAK) it has, however, subsequently been demonstrated to signal through p38, Jun N-terminal kinase (JNK) and Nemo types of MAP kinases, and the NFkappaB inducing kinase. Despite these multiple proposed functions, the in vivo role of TAK family kinases remains unclear. Here we report the isolation and genetic characterization of the Drosophila TAK homologue (dTAK). By employing overexpression and double-stranded RNA interference (RNAi) techniques we have analyzed its function during embryogenesis and larval development. Overexpression of dTAK in the embryonic epidermis is sufficient to induce the transcription of the JNK target genes decapentaplegic and puckered. Furthermore, overexpression of dominant negative (DN) or wild-type forms of dTAK in wing and eye imaginal discs, respectively, results in defects in thorax closure and ommatidial planar polarity, two well described phenotypes associated with JNK signaling activity. Surprisingly, RNAi and DN-dTAK **expression** studies in the embryo argue for a differential requirement of dTAK during developmental processes controlled by JNK signaling, and a redundant or minor role of dTAK in dorsal closure. In addition, dTAK-mediated activation of JNK in the Drosophila eye imaginal disc leads to an eye ablation phenotype due to ectopically induced apoptotic cell death. Genetic analyses in the eye indicate that dTAK can also act through the p38 and Nemo kinases in imaginal discs. Our results suggest that dTAK can act as a **JNKKK** upstream of JNK in multiple contexts and also other MAPKs in the eye. However, the loss-of-function RNAi studies indicate that it is not strictly required and thus either redundant or playing only a minor role in the context of embryonic dorsal closure.

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TITLE: Polycystin: new aspects of structure, function, and regulation.  
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 Journal code: 9013836. ISSN: 1046-6673.  
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AB Polycystin-1 is a modular membrane protein with a long extracellular N-terminal portion that bears several ligand-binding domains, 11 transmembrane domains, and a > or =200 amino acid intracellular C-terminal portion with several phosphorylation signaling sites. Polycystin-1 is highly **expressed** in the basal membranes of ureteric bud epithelia during early development of the metanephric kidney, and disruption of the PKD1 gene in mice leads to cystic kidneys and embryonic or perinatal death. It is proposed that polycystin-1 functions as a matrix receptor to link the extracellular matrix to the actin cytoskeleton via focal adhesion proteins. Co-localization, co-sedimentation, and co-immunoprecipitation studies show that polycystin-1 forms multiprotein complexes with alpha2beta1-integrin, talin, vinculin, paxillin, p130cas, focal adhesion kinase, and c-src in normal human fetal collecting tubules and sub-confluent epithelial cultures. In normal adult kidneys and confluent epithelial cultures, polycystin-1 is downregulated and forms complexes with the cell-cell adherens junction proteins E-cadherin and beta-, gamma-, and alpha-catenin. Polycystin-1 activation at the cell membrane leads to intracellular signaling via phosphorylation through the **c-Jun terminal kinase** and wnt pathways leading to activation of AP-1 and TCF/LEF-dependent genes, respectively. The C-terminal of polycystin-1 has been shown to be phosphorylated by c-src at Y4237, by protein kinase A at S4252, and by focal adhesion kinase and protein kinase X at yet-to-be identified residues. Inhibition of tyrosine phosphorylation or increased cellular calcium increases polycystin-1 focal adhesion complexes versus polycystin-1 adherens junction complexes, whereas disruption of the actin cytoskeleton dissociates all polycystin-1 complexes. Genetic evidence suggests that PKD1, PKD2, NPHP1, and tensin are in the same pathway.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001089858 MEDLINE  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 20401982 PubMed ID: 10947158  
 TITLE: Spermine differentially regulates the production of interleukin-12 p40 and interleukin-10 and suppresses the release of the T helper 1 cytokine interferon-gamma.  
 AUTHOR: Hasko G; Kuhel D G; Marton A; Nemeth Z H; Deitch E A; Szabo C  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Inotek Corporation, Beverly, Massachusetts 01915, USA.  
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AB Polyamines are endogenous immunomodulatory molecules. Recent studies revealed that polyamines suppress the production of proinflammatory cytokines and nitric oxide. In the present study, we investigated the effect of the polyamines spermine, spermidine, and putrescine on the production of interleukin (IL)-12 p40, IL-10, and interferon (IFN-gamma) in mouse peritoneal macrophages and spleen cell suspensions. Spermine, but not spermidine or putrescine, suppressed, in a concentration-dependent manner, the production of IL-12 p40 by lipopolysaccharide (LPS)-stimulated macrophages. The effect of spermine was post-transcriptional, because steady-state levels of messenger ribonucleic acid (mRNAs) for IL-12 (p35 and p40) were not affected. In contrast to its inhibitory effect on IL-12 p40, spermine (0.3-3 microM) augmented IL-10 production. The down-regulation of IL-12 p40 by spermine was independent of enhancement of IL-10 by this agent, for spermine retained its ability to suppress IL-12 production in peritoneal macrophages obtained from IL-10-deficient mice. The alterations in cytokine production by spermine did not involve an effect on early intracellular pathways of LPS signal transduction, including the p38 or p42/44 mitogen-activated protein kinases, or the **c-jun terminal kinase**. In spleen cell suspensions, spermine suppressed the release of IFN-gamma induced either by LPS or anti-CD3 antibody. In summary, spermine exerts anti-inflammatory effects by suppressing IL-12 and IFN-gamma and by augmenting the production of IL-10.

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DOCUMENT NUMBER: 20366318 PubMed ID: 10906215  
TITLE: Hairy leukoplakia: an unusual combination of transforming and permissive Epstein-Barr virus infections.  
AUTHOR: Webster-Cyriaque J; Middeldorp J; Raab-Traub N  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Lineberger Comprehensive Cancer Center, Department of Dental Ecology, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, USA.  
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AB Human herpesviruses are characterized by distinct states of infection. Typically in permissive herpesvirus infection, abundant virus production results in cell lysis. In latent transforming Epstein-Barr virus (EBV) infection, viral proteins that induce cell growth are **expressed**. The immunodeficiency-associated hairy leukoplakia (HLP) lesion is the only pathologic manifestation of permissive EBV infection; however, within HLP, viral proteins characteristic of latent infection have also been detected. In this study, we further analyzed **expression** of EBV latent genes and investigated their contribution to the unique histologic phenotype of HLP. Coexpression of lytic and transforming viral proteins

was detected simultaneously within individual HLP keratinocytes. LMP1 has now been shown to be uniformly **expressed** in the affected tissue, and it is associated and colocalizes with tumor necrosis factor receptor-associated factor (TRAF) signaling molecules. Effects induced by activated TRAF signaling that were detected in HLP included activation of NF-kappaB and **c-Jun terminal kinase** 1 (JNK1) and upregulated **expression** of epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR), CD40, A20, and TRAFs. This study identifies a novel state of EBV infection with concurrent **expression** of replicative and transforming proteins. It is probable that both replicative and latent proteins contribute to HLP development and induce many of the histologic features of HLP, such as acanthosis and hyperproliferation. In contrast to other permissive herpesvirus infections, **expression** of EBV transforming proteins within the permissively infected HLP tissue enables epithelial cell survival and may enhance viral replication.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998261450 MEDLINE  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 98261450 PubMed ID: 9596671  
 TITLE: T-Cell receptor signaling pathway exerts a negative control on thrombin-mediated increase in [Ca2+]i and p38 MAPK activation in Jurkat T cells: implication of the tyrosine kinase p56Lck.  
 AUTHOR: Maulon L; Guerin S; Ricci J E; Breittmayer D F; Auberger P  
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 SOURCE: BLOOD, (1998 Jun 1) 91 (11) 4232-41.  
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AB Activation of the mitogen-activated protein kinase (Erk) and **c-Jun terminal kinase** is a well-documented mechanism for the seven transmembrane spanning receptors. We have previously shown that thrombin stimulation of the T-leukemic cell line Jurkat induced a transient increase in [Ca2+]i and tyrosine phosphorylation of several cellular proteins. Here, we have analyzed p42-44 MAPK, JNK and p38 MAPK activation using Jurkat T-cell lines deficient in either the tyrosine kinase p56Lck (JCaM1) or the tyrosine phosphatase CD45 (J45.01). Our results demonstrate that p56Lck and CD45 exert a negative control on thrombin-induced p38 MAPK activation and [Ca2+]i release in Jurkat cells. Thrombin receptor **expression** was identical on the different cell lines as assessed by FACS analysis. Tyrosine phosphorylation of p38 MAPK was drastically increased after thrombin stimulation of JCaM1 or J45.01 cells, as compared with parental cells (JE6.1). P42-44 MAPK and JNK activity also enhanced after thrombin treatment of JE6.1 and JCaM1 cell lines, whereas basal kinase activity was higher in J45.01 cells and was not further stimulated by thrombin. Thrombin and thrombin receptor agonist peptide-induced [Ca2+]i mobilization paralleled p38 MAPK activation in JCaM1 and J45.01 cells. Moreover, reconstitution of J45.01 and JCaM1 cell lines with either CD45 or Lck is accompanied by restoration of a normal thrombin-induced [Ca2+]i response and p38MAPK phosphorylation. These data show that a component of the T-cell receptor signaling pathway exerts a negative control on thrombin-induced responses in Jurkat T cells. Accordingly, we found that thrombin enhanced tyrosine phosphorylation of p56Lck and decreased p56Lck kinase activity in J45.01 cells. Our results are consistent with a

negative role for p56Lck on thrombin-induced  $[Ca^{2+}]_i$  release and p38 MAPK activation in Jurkat T-cell lines.

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TITLE: Disruption of the actin cytoskeleton results in nuclear factor-kappa B activation and inflammatory mediator production in human intestinal epithelial cells.  
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AB The cytoskeleton in eukaryotic cells is composed of microtubules and the actin cytoskeleton. The microtubule system has recently emerged as an important regulator of NF-kB function. However, the role that the actin microfilament system plays in controlling NF-kB activation is incompletely understood. In this study, we examined the effect of actin cytoskeleton disruption on NF-kB activation in human intestinal epithelial cells. Treatment of HT-29 or Caco-2 cells with the prototypic actin disrupting agent cytochalasin D resulted in increased NF-kB DNA binding and NF-kB-dependent transcriptional activity. This NF-kB activation by cytochalasin D was secondary to an effect on IkB. That is because cytochalasin D induced IkB degradation and the cytochalasin D-induced increase in NF-kB dependent transcriptional activity was prevented by a dominant negative IkB mutant. Exposure of the cells to the cytochalasins D or B, as well as another actin disrupting agent, latrunculin B, increased gene **expression** and release of the NF-kB-dependent chemokines IL-8 and GRO-a.. Cytochalasin D also activated p38 mitogen activated protein kinase and **c-jun terminal kinase**, which pathways contributed to the cytochalasin D-induced increase in IL-8 production. These results demonstrate that the actin cytoskeleton plays an important role regulating NF-kB activation and inflammatory events in intestinal epithelial cells.

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TITLE: Unimpaired activation of c-Jun NH2-terminal kinase (JNK) 1 upon CD40 stimulation in B cells of patients with X-linked agammaglobulinemia.  
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AB X-linked agammaglobulinemia (XLA) is caused by mutations in the gene encoding the cytoplasmic Bruton's tyrosine kinase (Btk). Btk has been shown to play an essential role in the development of B1 (CD5+) and conventional circulating mature B cells (B2) in mouse and man. It has been shown in earlier studies that Btk is involved in both the BCR- and CD40-mediated signaling pathways. In this study, we analyzed the responsiveness of Epstein-Barr virus (EBV) transformed B cells from nine XLA patients to CD40 stimulation, particularly the CD40 induced activation of c-Jun N-terminal kinase (JNK). In eight XLA patients the JNK activation was unimpaired and in one case JNK could not be activated by anti-CD40 stimulation. Btk protein **expression** was detectable by Western blotting in six cases, in one case Btk **expression** was drastically reduced, and in three cases no Btk **expression** could be observed. Btk kinase activity was found in three cases and it was reduced in one and not detectable in five cases. Furthermore, in one female patient with an agammaglobulinemia, Btk **expression** and function as well as JNK activation by CD40 stimulation was unimpaired. Our findings demonstrate that JNK activation via the CD40 signaling pathway is intact in EBV-transformed B cells of most if not all XLA patients, independent of the mutation and its effect on Btk **expression** and kinase activity. We suggest that Btk is not necessary for the activation of JNK upon CD40 stimulation, at least in the B cell subpopulation we had studied. We cannot exclude that these B cells belong to a "leaky" B-cell subpopulation in which the CD40 signaling pathway has become independent of Btk function.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:362809 BIOSIS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200200362809

TITLE: Intrinsic P-glycoprotein **expression** in multicellular prostate tumor spheroids is regulated by reactive oxygen species.

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TITLE: Pathways of induction of peroxiredoxin I **expression** in osteoblasts. Roles of p38 mitogen-activated protein kinase and protein kinase C.

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AB Peroxiredoxin I (Prx I) is an oxidative stress-inducible antioxidant protein with thioredoxin peroxidase activity. Here we report that the levels of Prx I mRNA and protein are dramatically increased in a murine osteoblast cell line, MC3T3-E1, by treatment with sodium arsenate. We further studied the signaling pathways that control the induction of Prx I **expression**. The treatment of osteoblasts with arsenate activated ERK1/2, JNK, and p38 MAPK. Pre-treating cells with inhibitors of p38 MAPK abolished the induction of Prx I protein but had minimal effect on the induction of Prx I mRNA, suggesting that p38 MAPK activity was required for post-transcriptional regulation. The inhibition of ERK1 and ERK2 had no effect on the induction of Prx I **expression**. Furthermore, rottlerin, an inhibitor of protein kinase Cdelta (PKCdelta) and calmodulin kinase III, abrogated the up-regulation at both protein and mRNA levels. Staurosporine and Go6983, inhibitors for PKC, also inhibited the induction of Prx I, suggesting that protein kinase Cdelta is required for the induction by arsenate. PKCdelta was activated by arsenate treatment by in vitro kinase assays. The inhibition of PKCdelta by rottlerin did not affect the activation of p38 MAPK by arsenate. These results suggest that there are two separate signaling pathways involved in the up-regulation of Prx I protein in response to arsenate, PKCdelta required for transcriptional activation and p38 MAPK required for post-transcriptional regulation.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:263716 BIOSIS

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TITLE: The apoptosome is a target of Jun kinase in nitric oxide-induced cardiac myocyte apoptosis.

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TITLE: Differential **expression** of active, phosphorylation-dependent MAP kinases, MAPK/ERK, SAPK/JNK and p38, and specific transcription factor substrates following quinolinic acid excitotoxicity in the rat.

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SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English

AB Excitotoxicity is considered a major cell death inductor in neurodegeneration. Yet mechanisms involved in cell death and cell survival following excitotoxic insults are poorly understood. **Expression** of active, phosphorylation-dependent mitogen-activated extracellular signal-regulated kinases (MAPK/ERKs), stress activated c-Jun N-terminal kinases (SAPK/JNKs) and p38 kinases, as well as their putative active specific transcriptional factor substrates CREB, Elk-1, ATF-2, c-Myc and c-Jun, have been examined following intracortical injection of the glutamate analogue quinolinic acid (QA). Increased JNKp and p38p immunoreactivity has been found in the core at 1 h following QA injection, whereas increased MAPKp immunoreactivity occurs in neurons and glial cells localised around the lesion and in neurons in remote cortical regions. This is accompanied by strong phosphorylated Ser63 c-Jun (c-JunP) immunoreactivity in the core at 3 h, and by strong phosphorylated CREB, Elk-1 and ATF-2 (CREBP, Elk-1P and ATF-2P) immunoreactivity mainly in neurons around the core at 24 h following QA injection. Examination with the method of in situ end-labelling of nuclear DNA fragmentation has revealed large numbers of positive cells with no apoptotic morphology in the core at 24 h, thus indicating that JNKp, p38p and c-JunP over-**expression** precedes cell death. In contrast, MAPKp, CREBP, Elk-1P and ATF-2P, but not phosphorylated c-Myc (c-MycP). over-**expression** correlates with cell survival. Examination of cleaved, active caspase-3 has shown specific immunoreactivity restricted to a few hematogenous cells in the area of injection. Since cleaved caspase-3 is not **expressed** by dying cells in the present paradigm, JNKp, p38p and c-JunP **expression** is not associated with caspase-3 activation. The present results demonstrate selective activation of specific MAPK signals which are involved either in cell death or cell survival triggered by excitotoxic insult.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:297551 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200100297551  
TITLE: The humanized anti-CD20 antibody Rituxan induces apoptosis in B-cell chronic lymphocytic leukemia (B-CLL) cells in-vitro and in-vivo, through a p38 MAP-kinase dependent signaling pathway.  
AUTHOR(S): Pedersen, Irene M. (1); Buhl, Anne-Mette (1); Klausen, Pia (1); Geisler, Christian H. (1); Jurlander, Jesper (1)  
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SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English

AB Antibodies against CD20 have been shown to induce cell death in B-lymphocytes through three different mechanisms: i) antibody dependent cellular cytotoxicity, ii) complement mediated cellular cytotoxicity and iii) induction of apoptosis. We have demonstrated that the last mechanism is responsible for Rituxan-induced cell death in freshly isolated leukemic cells from patients with B-cell chronic lymphocytic leukemia (B-CLL) (Blood 1999, vol 94, suppl. 1, 120(a)). Rituxan-induced apoptosis is related to: i) activation of the three MAP-kinases ERK, JNK and p38, ii) upregulation of the pro-apoptotic proteins p53 and bax and iii) induction



of effector caspase activity. We now report that the induction of apoptosis is dependent on p38 MAP-kinase activity, and provide evidence to suggest that a similar mechanism is active in-vivo. When B-CLL cells were cultured in the presence of cross-linked Rituxan and a specific inhibitor of p38 (SB203580), the degree of apoptosis was decreased by a mean of 43% (Range: 26-65%; n=7). SB203580 inhibited p38 kinase activity in-vitro, and completely blocked Rituxan-induced activation of MAPKAP-K2, a kinase immediately downstream of p38. In order to determine if Rituxan also induces apoptosis and MAP-kinase activation in-vivo, we isolated leukemic cells from three patients treated with Rituxan (375 mg/msq) and analysed these cells for Annexin-binding and **expression** of the phosphorylated forms of p38, ERK and JNK. In all three patients, a significant increase in the percentage of Annexin-positive B-cells was observed within 15 minutes after start of the infusion. Concomitantly, an increase in the level of MAP-kinase phosphorylation was observed. Thus, our results demonstrate that Rituxan specifically induces apoptosis in B-CLL cells in-vitro through a p38-dependent signaling pathway. We suggest that a similar mechanism is responsible for the activity of Rituxan in-vivo. Taken together, these results predict that Rituxan may act in synergy with other agents (i.e. topoisomerase-II inhibitors) that induce apoptosis through p38-dependent mechanisms.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:100647 BIOSIS  
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 TITLE: Insulin-like growth factor-1 protects H9c2 cardiac myoblasts from oxidative stress-induced apoptosis via phosphatidylinositol 3-kinase and extracellular signal-regulated kinase pathways.  
 AUTHOR(S): Hong, Feng; Kwon, Si Joong; Jhun, Bong Sook; Kim, Sung Soo; Ha, Joohun; Kim, Soo-Ja; Sohn, Nak Won; Kang, Chulhun; Kang, Insug (1)  
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 SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English

AB Oxidative stress plays a critical role in cardiac injuries during ischemia/reperfusion. Insulin-like growth factor-1 (IGF-1) promotes cell survival in a number of cell types, but the effect of IGF-1 on the oxidative stress has not been elucidated in cardiac muscle cells. Therefore, we examined the role of IGF-1 signaling pathway in cell survival against H2O2-induced apoptosis in H9c2 cardiac myoblasts. H2O2 treatment induced apoptosis in H9c2 cells, and pretreatment of cells with IGF-1 suppressed apoptotic cell death. The antiapoptotic effect of IGF-1 was blocked by LY294002 (an inhibitor of phosphatidylinositol 3-kinase) and by PD98059 (an inhibitor of extracellular signal-regulated kinase (ERK)). The protective effect of IGF-1 was also blocked by rapamycin (an inhibitor of p70 S6 kinase). Furthermore, H9c2 cells stably transfected with constitutively active PI 3-kinase (H9c2-p110\*) and Akt (H9c2-Gag-Akt) constructs were more resistant to H2O2 cytotoxicity than control cells. Although H2O2 activates both p38 mitogen-activated protein kinase (MAPK) and c-Jun N-terminal kinase (JNK), IGF-1 inhibited only JNK activation. Activated PI 3-kinase (H9c2-p110\*) and pretreatment of cells with IGF-1 down-regulated Bax protein levels compared to control cells. Taken together, our results suggest that IGF-1 transmits a survival signal against oxidative stress-induced apoptosis in H9c2 cells via PI 3-kinase and ERK-dependent pathways and the protective effect of IGF-1 is

associated with the inhibition of JNK activation and Bax  
**expression.**

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:314958 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200000314958  
TITLE: Vav modulation of the Ras/MEK/ERK signaling pathway plays a  
role in NFAT activation and CD69 up-regulation.  
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DOCUMENT TYPE: Article  
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SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English

AB Vav is **expressed** exclusively in hematopoietic cells and becomes phosphorylated on tyrosine in response to antigen receptor ligation. Although Vav can act as a Rac-specific guanine nucleotide exchange factor in vitro and as a c-Jun N-terminal kinase (JNK) activator in ectopic **expression** systems, its physiological functions in lymphocytes remain unclear. Indirect evidence suggests that Vav interacts with the Ras/ERK pathway in T cells. Here, we analyzed the effects of Vav on three known downstream targets of Ras, i. e. activation of ERK and NFAT, and up-regulation of the activation antigen CD69. The MEK inhibitor PD90859 inhibited Vav-induced activation of ERK, and Vav- or anti-CD3-induced activation of NFAT, suggesting that MEK and ERK are involved in Vav-mediated NFAT activation. Similarly to Ras, Vav cooperated with constitutively active calcineurin and with ERK to activate NFAT, and was capable of up-regulating CD69 **expression** in T cells. Moreover, these Vav-mediated functions were all inhibited by a dominant negative Ras mutant. Conversely, however, dominant negative Vav did not inhibit NFAT and ERK activation or CD69 **expression** induced by an active Ras mutant. These findings indicate that Ras functions as an important downstream target of Vav in signaling pathways that lead to NFAT and ERK activation, and to CD69 **expression**. Moreover, the finding that Vav- (or Ras-) induced CD69 **expression** was not inhibited by a dominant negative Rac mutant indicates that Vav mediates some Ras-dependent, but Rac-independent, functions in T cells.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:179435 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200000179435  
TITLE: IL-4 regulation of IL-6 production involves Rac/Cdc42- and p38 MAPK-dependent pathways in keratinocytes.  
AUTHOR(S): Wery-Zennaro, Sandrine; Zugaza, Jose L.; Letourneur, Martine; Bertoglio, Jacques; Pierre, Josiane (1)  
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SOURCE: Oncogene, (March 16, 2000) Vol. 19, No. 12, pp. 1596-1604. ISSN: 0950-9232.  
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LANGUAGE: English  
SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English

AB The stress-activated pathways leading to activation of p38 MAP kinase (p38 MAPK) and c-jun N-terminal kinases (JNK) have been shown to be activated by pro-inflammatory cytokines, physical and chemical stresses as well as a variety of hematopoietic growth factors. One exception is interleukin (IL)-4, which does not activate this pathway in hematopoietic cell. We

report here that in A431, a keratinocytic cell line, IL-4 activates Rac and Cdc42 and their downstream effector p21-activated kinase (PAK). Rac and Cdc42 appear to regulate a protein kinase cascade initiated at the level of PAK and leading to activation of p38 MAPK, since IL-4 stimulates tyrosine phosphorylation of p38 MAPK and increases its catalytic activity. As A431 cells are able to produce IL-6 in response to IL-4 stimulation, we assessed the involvement of p38 MAPK in IL-6 gene **expression**. A pyrimidazole compound, SB203580, a specific inhibitor of p38 MAPK, inhibits production and gene **expression** of IL-6. SB203580 reduced significantly the stability of IL-6 mRNA. Here we provide evidence that p38 MAPK is activated in response to IL-4 and is involved in IL-6 synthesis by stabilizing IL-6 mRNA.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:466819 BIOSIS

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TITLE: Leukocyte microparticles stimulate endothelial cell cytokine release and tissue factor induction in a JNK1 signaling pathway.

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SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English

AB A role of membrane microparticles (MP) released by vascular cells in endothelial cell (EC) activation was investigated. Flow cytofluorimetric analysis of blood samples from normal volunteers revealed the presence of an heterogeneous MP population, which increased by approx2-fold after inflammatory stimulation with the chemotactic peptide, N-formyl-Met-Leu-Phe (2,799 +/- 360 versus 5241 +/- 640,  $p < 0.001$ ). Blood-derived MP stimulated release of EC cytokines interleukin (IL)-6 (377 +/- 68 pg/ml) and MCP-1 (1,282 +/- 79) and up-regulated de novo **expression** of tissue factor on the EC surface. This was associated with generation of a factor Xa-dependent procoagulant response (2.28 +/- 0.56 nM factor Xa/min/104 cells), in a reaction inhibited by a monoclonal antibody to tissue factor. Fluorescent labeling with antibodies to platelet GPIbalph or leukocyte lactoferrin demonstrated that circulating MP originated from both platelets and leukocytes. However, depletion of platelet MP with an antibody to GPIbalph did not reduce EC IL-6 release, and, similarly, MP from thrombin-stimulated platelets did not induce IL-6 release from endothelium. EC stimulation with leukocyte MP did not result in activation of the transcription factor NF-kappaB and was not associated with tyrosine phosphorylation of extracellular signal-regulated protein kinase, ERK1. In contrast, leukocyte MP stimulated a sustained, time-dependent increased tyrosine phosphorylation of approx46-kDa c-Jun NH2-terminal kinase (JNK1) in EC. These findings demonstrate that circulating leukocyte MP are up-regulated by inflammatory stimulation in vivo and activate a stress signaling pathway in EC, leading to increased procoagulant and proinflammatory activity. This may provide an alternative mechanism of EC activation, potentially contributing to dysregulation of endothelial functions during vascular injury.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998:315209 BIOSIS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV199800315209

TITLE: Activation of mitogen-activated protein kinases (p38-MAPKs, SAPKs/JNKs and ERKs) by the G-protein-coupled receptor agonist phenylephrine in the perfused rat heart.

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LANGUAGE: English

AB We investigated the ability of phenylephrine (PE), an alpha-adrenergic agonist and promoter of hypertrophic growth in the ventricular myocyte, to activate the three best-characterized mitogen-activated protein kinase (MAPK) subfamilies, namely p38-MAPKs, SAPKs/JNKs (i.e. stress-activated protein kinases/c-Jun N-terminal kinases) and ERKs (extracellularly responsive kinases), in perfused contracting rat hearts. Perfusion of hearts with 100  $\mu$ M PE caused a rapid (maximal at 10 min) 12-fold activation of two p38-MAPK isoforms, as measured by subsequent phosphorylation of a p38-MAPK substrate, **recombinant** MAPK-activated protein kinase 2 (MAPKAPK2). This activation coincided with phosphorylation of p38-MAPK. Endogenous MAPKAPK2 was activated 4-5-fold in these perfusions and this was inhibited completely by the p38-MAPK inhibitor, SB203580 (10  $\mu$ M). Activation of p38-MAPK and MAPKAPK2 was also detected in non-contracting hearts perfused with PE, indicating that the effects were not dependent on the positive inotropic/chronotropic properties of the agonist. Although SAPKs/JNKs were also rapidly activated, the activation (2-3-fold) was less than that of p38-MAPK. The ERKs were activated by perfusion with PE and the activation was at least 50% of that seen with 1  $\mu$ M PMA, the most powerful activator of the ERKs yet identified in cardiac myocytes. These results indicate that, in addition to the ERKs, two MAPK subfamilies, whose activation is more usually associated with cellular stresses, are activated by the Gq/11-protein-coupled receptor (Gq/11PCR) agonist, PE, in whole hearts. These data indicate that Gq/11PCR agonists activate multiple MAPK signalling pathways in the heart, all of which may contribute to the overall response (e.g. the development of the hypertrophic phenotype).

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1997:19015 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV199799318218  
TITLE: Activation of a novel calcium-dependent protein-tyrosine kinase: Correlation with c-Jun N-terminal kinase but not mitogen-activated protein kinase activation.  
AUTHOR(S): Yu, Hong; Li, Xiong; Marchetto, Gail S.; Dy, Ruth; Hunter, Deborah; Calvo, Benjamin; Dawson, Tom L.; Wilm, Matthias; Anderegg, Robert J.; Graves, Lee M.; Earp, H. Shelton (1)  
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DOCUMENT TYPE: Article  
LANGUAGE: English

AB Many G protein-coupled receptors (e.g. that of angiotensin II) activate phospholipase C-beta, initially increasing intracellular calcium and activating protein kinase C. In the WB and GN4 rat liver epithelial cell lines, agonist-induced calcium signals also stimulate tyrosine phosphorylation and subsequently increase the activity of c-Jun N-terminal kinase (JNK). We have now purified the major calcium-dependent tyrosine kinase (CADTK), and by peptide and nucleic acid sequencing identified it as a rat homologue of human PYK2. CADTK/PYK2 is most closely related to p125-FAK and both enzymes are **expressed** in NM and GN4 cells. Angiotensin II, which only slightly increases p125-FAK tyrosine

phosphorylation in GN4 cells, substantially increased CADTK tyrosine autophosphorylation and kinase activity. Agonists for other G protein-coupled receptors (e.g. LPA), or those increasing intracellular calcium (thapsigargin), also stimulated CADTK. In comparing the two rat liver cell lines, GN4 cells exhibited approx 5-fold greater angiotensin II- and thapsigargin-dependent CADTK activation than WB cells. Although maximal JNK activation by stress-dependent pathways (e.g. UV and anisomycin) was equivalent in the two cell lines, calcium-dependent JNK activation was 5-fold greater in GN4, correlating with CADTK activation. In contrast to JNK the thapsigargin-dependent calcium signal did not activate mitogen-activated protein kinase and Ang II-dependent mitogen-activated protein kinase activation was not correlated with CADTK activation. Finally, while some stress-dependent activators of the JNK pathway (NaCl and sorbitol) stimulated CADTK, others (anisomycin, UV, and TNF-alpha) did not. In summary, cells **expressing** CADTK/PYK2 appear to have two alternative JNK activation pathways: one stress-activated and the other calcium-dependent.

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TITLE: Rac-1 dependent stimulation of the JNK/SAPK signaling pathway by Vav.

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AB The protein product of the human vav oncogene, Vav, exhibits a number of structural motifs suggestive of a role in signal transduction pathways, including a leucine-rich region, a plekstrin homology (PH) domain, a cysteine-rich domain, two SH3 regions, an SH2 domain, and a central Dbl homology (DH) domain. However, the transforming pathway(s) activated by Vav has not yet been elucidated. Interestingly, DH domains are frequently found in guanine nucleotide-exchange factors for small GTP-binding proteins of the Ras and Rho families, and it has been recently shown that, whereas Ras controls the activation of mitogen activated kinases (MAPKs), two members of the Rho family of small GTPases, Rac 1 and Cdc42, regulate activity of stress activated protein kinases (SAPKs), also termed **c-jun terminal kinases** (JNKs). The structural similarity between Vav and other guanine nucleotide exchange factors for small GTP-binding proteins, together with the recent identification of biochemical routes specific for members of the Ras and Rho family of GTPases, prompted us to explore whether MAPK or JNK are downstream components of the Vav signaling pathways. Using the COS-7 cell transient **expression** system, we have found that neither Vav nor the product of the vav proto-oncogene, proto-Vav, can enhance the enzymatic activity of a coexpressed, epitope tagged MAPK. On the other hand, we have observed that, whereas proto-Vav can slightly elevate JNK/SAPK activity, oncogenic Vav potentially activates JNK/SAPK to an extent comparable to that elicited by two guanine-nucleotide exchange factors for Rho family members, Dbl and Ost. We also show that point mutations in conserved residues within the cysteine rich and DH domains of Vav both prevent its ability to activate JNK/SAPK and render Vav oncogenically inactive. In addition, we found that coexpression of the Rac-1 N17 dominant inhibitory mutant dramatically diminishes JNK/SAPK stimulation by Vav, as well as reduces the focus-forming ability of Vav in NIH3T3 murine

fibroblasts. Taken together, these findings provide the first evidence that Rac-1 and JNK are integral components of the Vav signaling pathway.

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TITLE: New polynucleotides encoding a c-Jun N-terminal kinase kinase kinases i.e. MLK4, PAK4, associated with skin damage for use in drug screening and development;  
vector-mediated gene transfer, **expression** in host cell, antisense oligonucleotide and ribozyme for **recombinant** protein production and disease gene therapy  
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LANGUAGE: English  
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AB The human DNA sequences as defined by protein sequences of the: MLK4 gene containing 54 amino acids (I); PAK4 gene containing 48 amino acids (II); PAK5 gene containing 48 amino acids (III), 311 amino acids (IV) or 681 amino acids (V); and the YSK gene containing 48 amino acids (VI) (all specified), are claimed. Also claimed are: a **recombinant** vector containing (I-VI) or derivatives of (I-VI); a host cell containing the vector; a substantially purified or isolated protein (VII) containing a protein sequence selected from (I-VI); preparation of (VII) by culturing the host cell under conditions that allow **expression** of the protein and recovering the protein; an antibody specific to a protein containing (I-VI); screening compounds (e.g. antisense oligonucleotides or ribozymes) that affect the cellular levels of c-Jun N-terminal kinase kinase (**JNKKK**) gene product; screening compounds that affect the activity of a **JNKKK**; identifying a binding partner of YSK2; and detection of an MLK4-, PAK4-, PAK5- or YSK2-related DNA in a sample. The new DNA sequences encoding a **JNKKK** protein, which is associated with skin damage is useful in drug screening. (51pp)

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AB Arsenic produces a variety of stress responses in mammalian cells, including metabolic abnormalities accompanied by growth inhibition and eventually apoptosis. Morphological alterations in cells exposed to

arsenic often suggest underlying disruption of cytoskeletal structural elements responsible for cellular integrity, shape, and locomotion. However, specifics of the ultrastructural changes produced by arsenic remain poorly understood. Various tissues and organs differ in their sensitivity to arsenic, with the liver and skin being the most studied. Characteristic skin pathology related to arsenic exposure ranges from hyperkeratotic lesions to squamous-cell carcinomas. However, molecular events in the arsenic-exposed skin still remain to be elucidated. Although mutagenicity of arsenic has not been unequivocally established, recent evidence supports the view that oncogenic mutations do occur, and that only selected enzymes related to DNA replication and repair are affected by arsenic. Sensitivity of the mitotic spindle to arsenic, particularly its organic compounds, underlies the well-documented chromosomal aberrations in arsenic-exposed populations.

Arsenite-induced stress at the molecular level shares many features with the heat shock response. This includes the differential sensitivity of the stress signal pathway elements to the magnitude of the stress, stressor-specific activation of the response elements, and the protective role of the heat shock response. Oxidative stress, the central component of heat shock response, is typical of arsenic-related effects that are, in fact, regarded as the chemical paradigm of heat stress. Similar to heat stress, arsenite induces heat shock proteins (HSPs) of various sizes. The signal cascade triggered by arsenitelike heat stress induces the activity of the mitogen-activated protein (MAP) kinases, extracellular regulated kinase (ERK), **c-jun terminal kinase** (JNK), and p38. Through the JNK and p38 pathways, arsenite activates the immediate early genes c-fos, c-jun, and egr-1, usually activated by various growth factors, cytokines, differentiation signals, and DNA-damaging agents. Like other oxygen radical-producing stressors, arsenic induces nitric oxide production at the level of transcriptional activation along with induction of poly(ADP)-ribosylation, NAD depletion, DNA strand breaks, and formation of micronuclei.

This review presents an overview of current research on molecular aspects of arsenic stress with an emphasis on the tissue-specific events in humans. It deals with current progress on the understanding of the signal transduction pathways and mechanisms underlying the sensitivity of various species, organs, and tissues to arsenic.

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AB Previous studies have demonstrated that inhibition of c-Jun N-terminal kinase (JNK) decreases joint destruction in the rat adjuvant arthritis model. The present study was undertaken to investigate whether selective loss of JNK-2 function decreases joint destruction in JNK-2 knockout mice, in order to det. the role of this isoform in inflammatory arthritis. Passive collagen-induced arthritis (CIA) was induced in Jnk2<sup>-/-</sup> and wild-type mice by administering anti-type II collagen antibodies. Arthritis was assessed daily using a semiquant. clin. scoring system. Fibroblast-like synoviocytes (FLS) were prep'd. from Jnk2<sup>-/-</sup> and wild-type

mice, and JNK protein **expression** was detd. by Western blot anal. Matrix metalloproteinase 13 (MMP-13) **expression** was detd. by Northern blot anal., and activator protein 1 (AP-1) binding activity by electromobility shift assay (EMSA). The JNK protein level in Jnk2-/- mice with CIA was 22% of that in wild-type mice with CIA (P < 0.001), and mainly the 46-kd isoform was **expressed** in the former group. Surprisingly, clin. arthritis was slightly more severe in the Jnk2-/- mice. Histol. scores for synovial inflammation were not significantly different. However, Safranin O-stained sections from the Jnk2-/- mice exhibited significantly less joint damage. Although joint destruction was decreased in Jnk2-/- mice with CIA, EMSA and Northern blot anal. of total joint exts. revealed similar levels of AP-1 binding and MMP-13 **expression** in Jnk2-/- and wild-type mice. The lack of correlation with AP-1 activity and MMP **expression** was probably because non-FLS cells in the joint may **express** more JNK-1 than do FLS. JNK-2 is a determinant of matrix degrdn., but it has little effect on inflammation in arthritis. Complete inhibition of MMP **expression** and joint destruction will likely require combined JNK-1 and JNK-2 inhibition.

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